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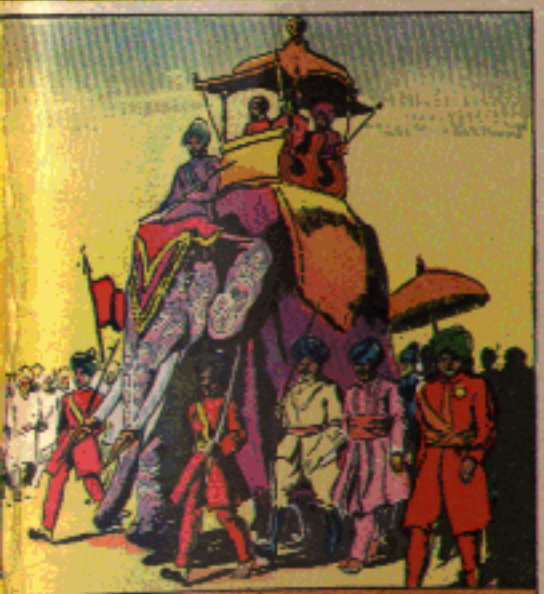

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THERE WERE MEN IN AMERICA'S HISTORY WHO FOUGHT LIKE INDIANS- FROM BEHIND ROCKS, QUIETLY AND STEALTHILY. THEY HAD LEARNED THE WAYS OF THE FORESTS, KNEW HOW TO FADE INTO THE BACKROUND, KNEW HOW TO FIGHT DARINGLY- AND SELL THEIR LIVES DEARLY. THEY WERE KNOWN AS "ROGER'S RANGERS."

AROUND THE INDIAN COUNCIL FIRES IT WAS WHISPERED ...
ALL THAT WE KNOW, BROTHERS, IS THAT THE RANGERS ARE ON THE WAR-PATH. BUT LIKE THE LEAVES ON THE TREES, THEY ARE HARD TO COUNT. HARDER STILL, TO SEE!

THESE RANGERS ARE OUR ENEMIES— OUR MOST DANGEROUS ENEMIES. I WOULD RATHER FIGHT ANY BUT THEM!

MORE THAN TWO HUNDRED YEARS HAVE PASSED SINCE THE RANGERS STALKED THE FOREST, HUNTING THE ENEMY. A FEW SHORT MONTHS AGO IN A "YANK" CAMP SOMEWHERE IN ENGLAND...
YOU MEN HAVE BEEN CAREFULLY PICKED FOR TRAINING WITH THE COMMANDOS. YOU'RE TO LEARN THEIR WAYS OF FIGHTING - IT'LL BE HARD, BUT I'M COUNTING ON YOU TO COME THROUGH!

AT A COMMANDO TRAINING CAMP...
SURE YOU YANKS CAN TAKE IT?
WELL, WE HAD A COUPLE OF GUYS WAY BACK WHO COULD DO THIS KIND OF WORK PRETTY WELL. FELLOWS BY THE NAME OF DANIEL BOONE - AND THE "ROGER'S RANGERS!"

THEN STARTED THE TRAINING OF THE RANGERS - TO MAKE THEM THE TOUGHEST FIGHTERS IN THE WORLD! ON THE "ASSAULT TRAINING COURSE"..

THE NEXT DAY, THE RANGERS WENT INTO "BATTLE".

LISTEN TO THAT, BROTHER RANGER! THAT'S AN HONEST TO GOODNESS SHELL WITH ENOUGH T.N.T. TO BLOW US TO —

STOP TALKING, AND DUCK! THAT WAS A REAL BULLET THAT JUST CREASED MY TOPPER!

YOUR AMERICAN RANGERS HAVE BROKEN THE COURSE RECORD, MAJOR. WE'RE REALLY PROUD THAT OUR COMMANDOS HELPED IN THEIR TRAINING.

THANK YOU, MOUNTBATTEN. I THINK OUR BOYS ARE ABOUT READY FOR SOME REAL ACTION NOW!

AND ACTION WAS NOT LONG IN COMING!

A RAID ON DIEPPE WILL TELL US WHAT WE WANT TO KNOW ABOUT GERMAN DEFENSES IN FRANCE.

THE U.S. RANGERS WILL JOIN THE BRITISH AND CANADIAN COMMANDOS IN THIS RAID!

DUSK, AUGUST 18, 1942, THE R.A.F. AND AMERICAN FLYING FORTRESSES TUNED UP.

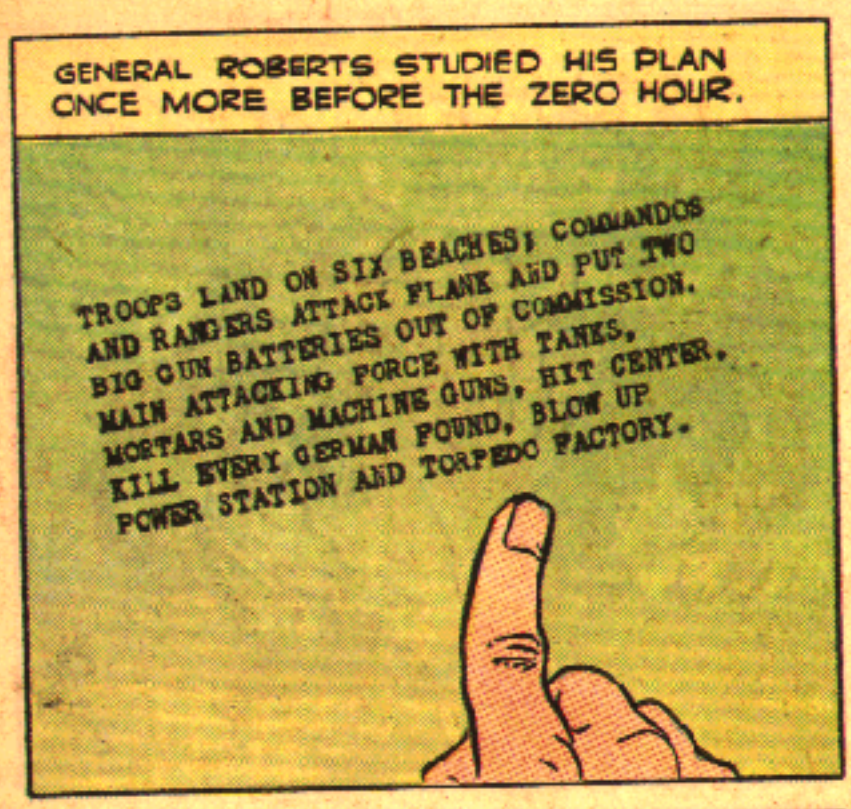
TONIGHT'S THE BIG NIGHT. WE'VE GOT TO GIVE THOSE COMMANDOS AND RANGERS AN UMBRELLA OF AIR PROTECTION.

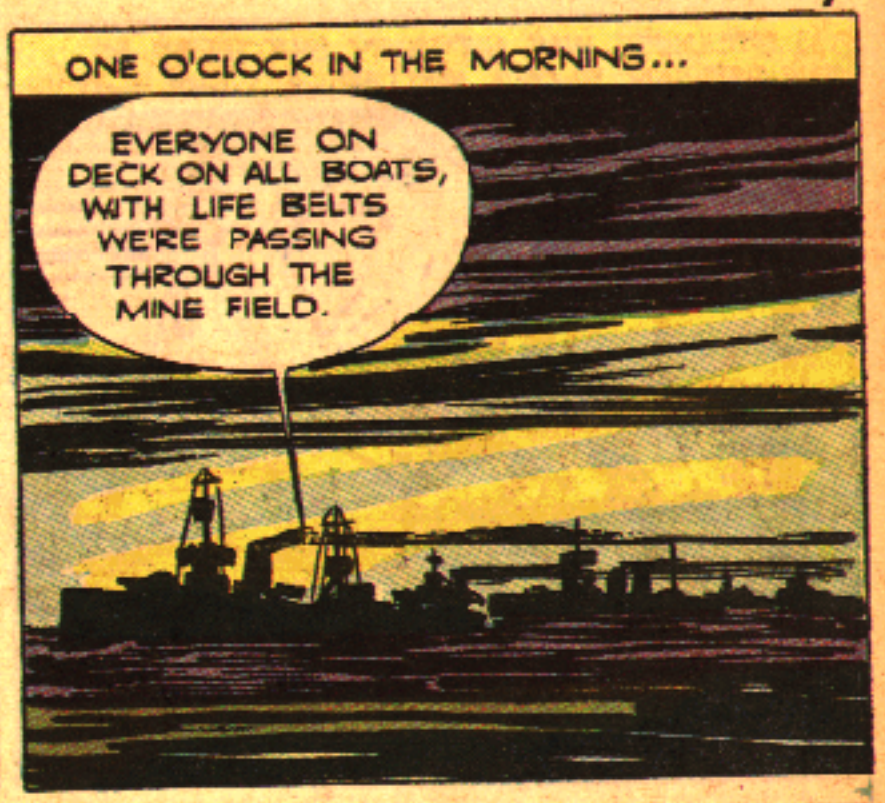
THIS'LL PROBABLY BE ONE OF THE MOST DANGEROUS OPERATIONS IN HISTORY.

CANADIANS, BRITISH AND U.S. RANGERS EMBARKED FOR THE PERILOUS UNDERTAKING.

CANADIAN HERO, MAJOR GENERAL JAMES ROBERTS, WAS IN CHARGE.

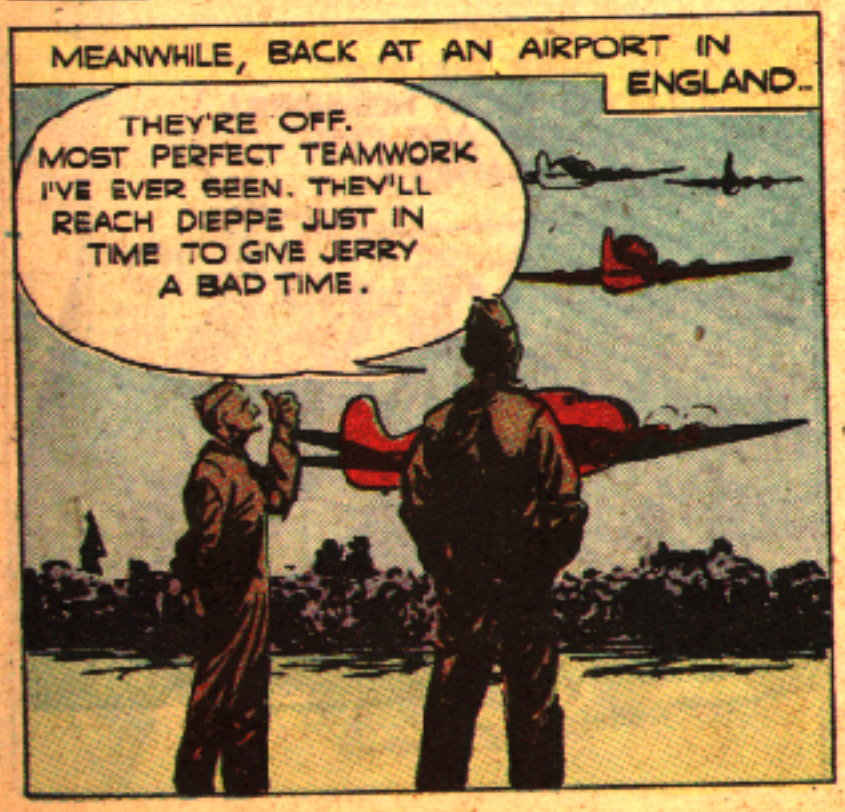
OUR OBJECTIVE IS DIEPPE. WE MUST PASS THROUGH A LARGE MINE FIELD. THIS DESTROYER WILL GO FIRST.


GENERAL ROBERTS STUDIED HIS PLAN ONCE MORE BEFORE THE ZERO HOUR.
TROOPS LAND ON SIX BEACHES; COMMANDOS AND RANGERS ATTACK FLANK AND PUT TWO BIG GUN BATTERIES OUT OF COMMISSION. MAIN ATTACKING FORCE WITH TANKS, MORTARS AND MACHINE GUNS, HIT CENTER, KILL EVERY GERMAN FOUND, BLOW UP POWER STATION AND TORPEDO FACTORY.


ONE O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING...
EVERYONE ON DECK ON ALL BOATS, WITH LIFE BELTS WE'RE PASSING THROUGH THE MINE FIELD.

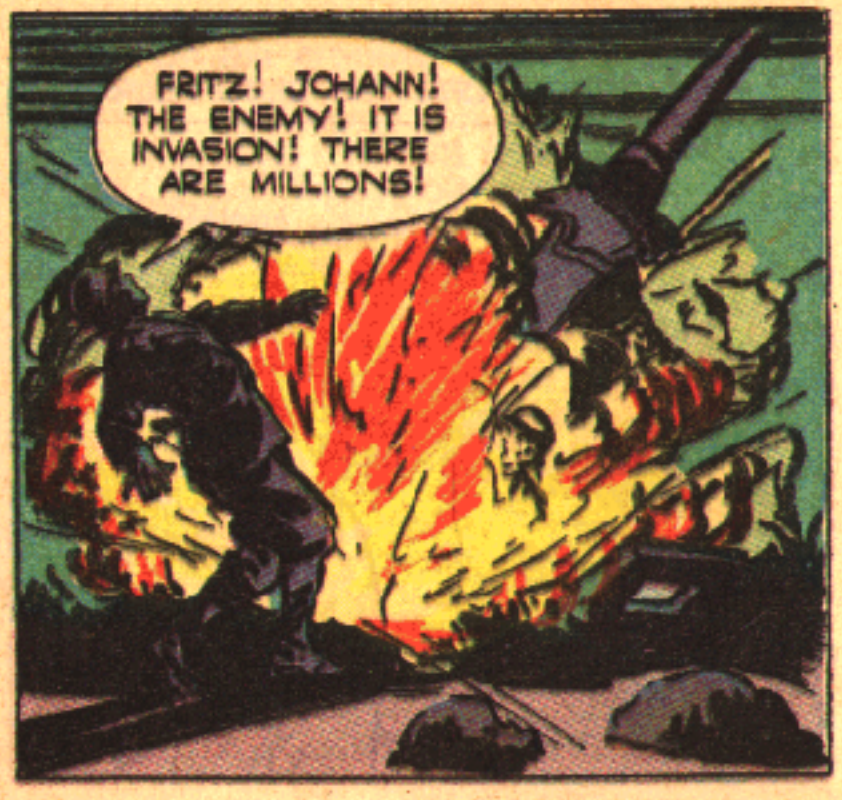
LATER...
IT IS NOW 4:30 A.M. WE ARE DUE AT TARGET IN FIFTEEN MINUTES. COMMANDOS AND RANGERS, MAN INVASION BARGES!

IT'S A PERFECT NIGHT. THEY DON'T DREAM WE'RE ATTACKING.
I HOPE THEY DON'T SPOT US. IF THEY DO...

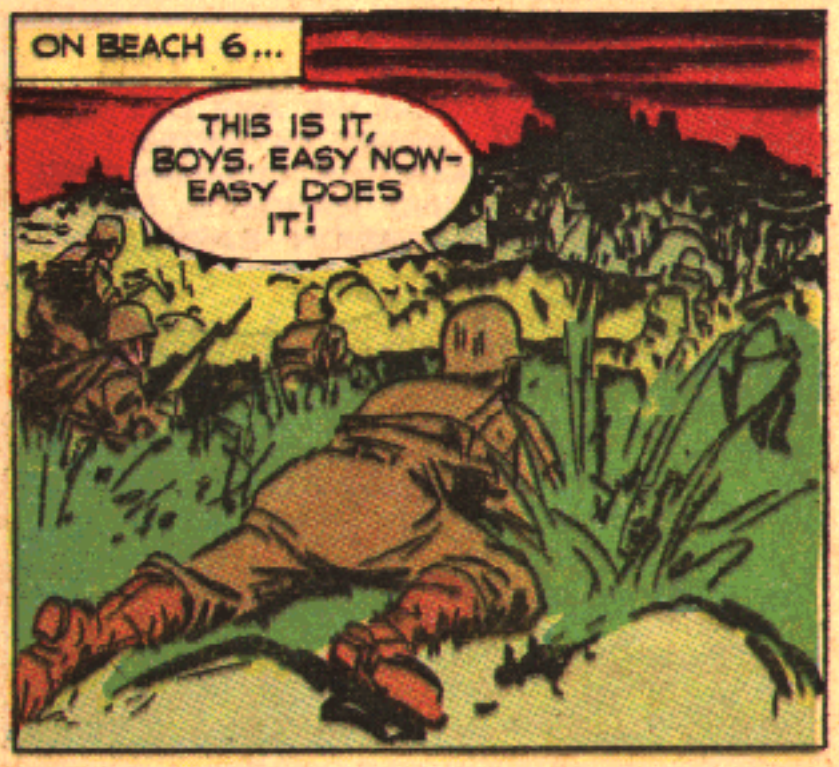

MEANWHILE, BACK AT AN AIRPORT IN ENGLAND.
THEY'RE OFF. MOST PERFECT TEAMWORK I'VE EVER SEEN. THEY'LL REACH DIEPPE JUST IN TIME TO GIVE JERRY A BAD TIME.

THE ALLIED INVASION BARGES NEARED THE SHORES OF DIEPPE...
FOR VICTORY
BUY WAR BONDS
AND STAMPS

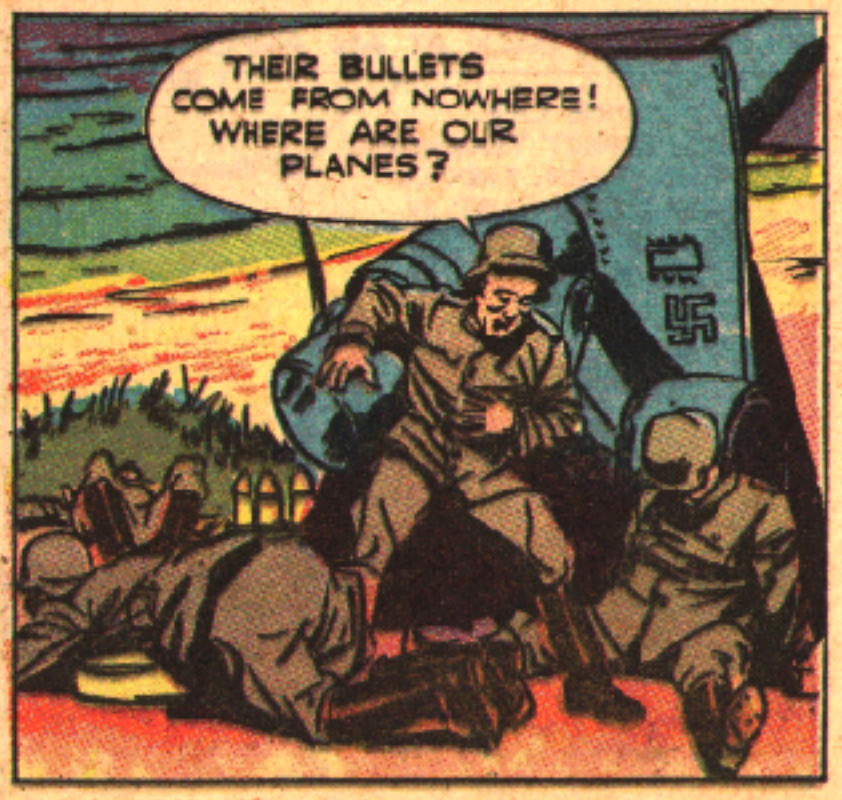
THE STILLNESS WAS SUDDENLY SHATTERED AS THE GERMAN SHORE BATTERIES WERE BLASTED.


FRITZ! JOHANN! THE ENEMY! IT IS INVASION! THERE ARE MILLIONS!

DON'T LET A MAN LAND ALIVE! SEND OUT THE DORNIER BOMBERS! SINK EVERY BOAT AND SHIP!

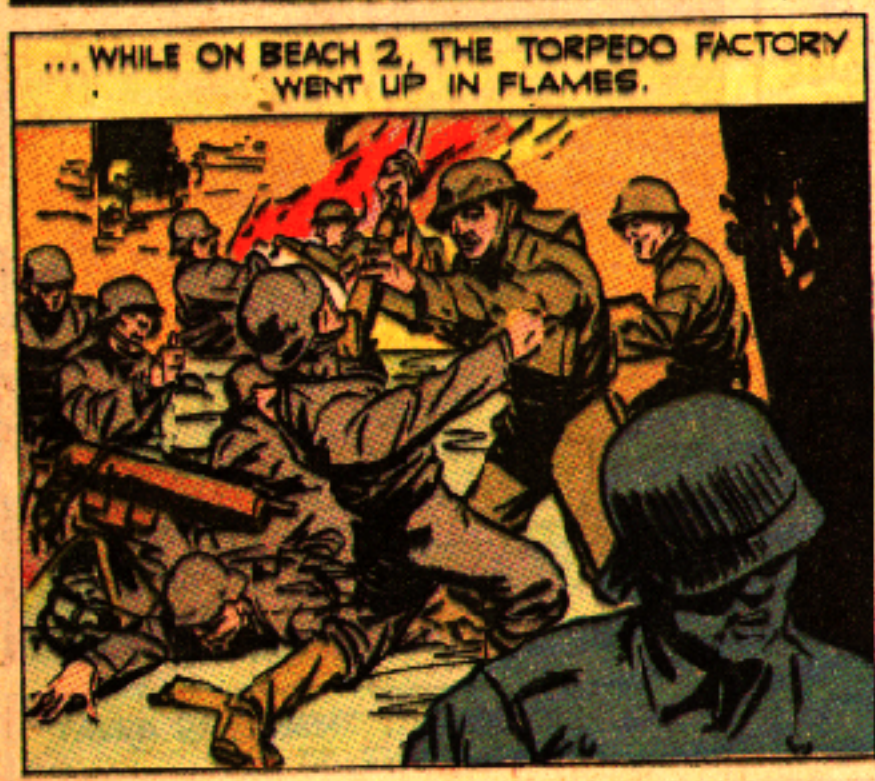

ON BEACH 6...
THIS IS IT, BOYS. EASY NOW- EASY DOES IT!

STALKING AND SNIPING AS ROGER'S RANGERS DID MANY YEARS BEFORE THEM, THE RANGERS MOVED FORWARD.


THEIR BULLETS COME FROM NOWHERE! WHERE ARE OUR PLANES?

OH BOY, WHAT A SHOT! WE HIT THEIR MAGAZINE! THAT SHUTS THAT BABY'S BIG MOUTH!

BEACH 4-RANGERS AND COMMANDOS CARRY OUT ORDERS AT A HEAVY PRICE.


...WHILE ON BEACH 2, THE TORPEDO FACTORY WENT UP IN FLAMES.

IN THE AIR, BRITISH, AMERICAN, POLISH, CZECH, NORWEGIAN, BELGIAN AND FRENCH PILOTS SHOT DOWN 91 GERMAN PLANES AND DAMAGED OR DESTROYED 182 MORE.

AFTER NINE HOURS, OPERATIONS WERE COMPLETED. RANGERS AND COMMANDOS EMBARKED FOR HOME.

BACK IN ENGLAND.
... AND WE SHALL HIT THEM AGAIN AND AGAIN AS YOU BOYS DID AT DIEPPE. THEY HAVE SEEN NOTHING YET.
THE RAID ON DIEPPE WAS THE RANGERS' BAPTISM OF FIRE. THESE DARING YANKS PROVED THAT THEY WERE READY FOR A FIGHT, AND WERE EAGER TO CARRY THE TRADITIONS OF THE "ROGER'S RANGERS" TO NEW HEIGHTS OF GLORY!

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THE INFANT REPUBLIC

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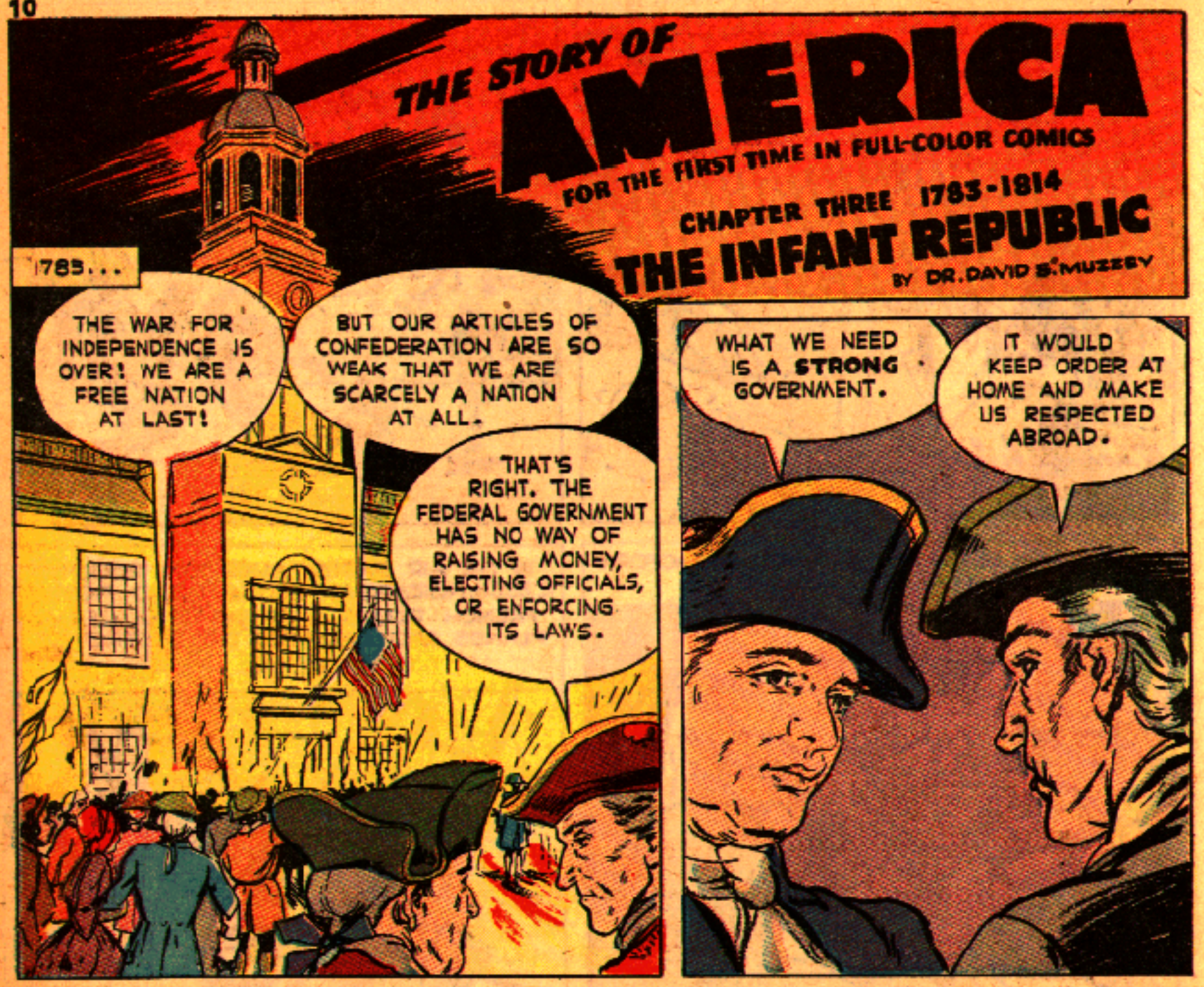
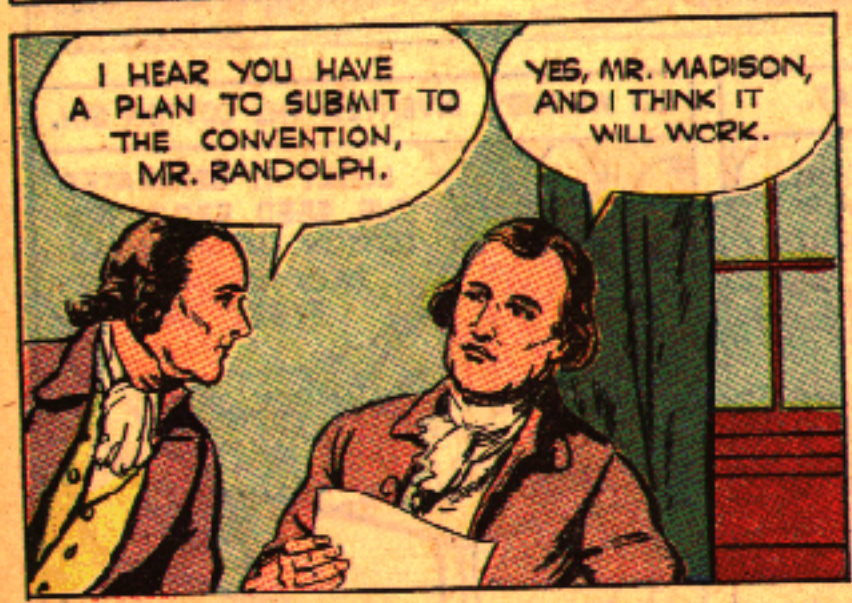
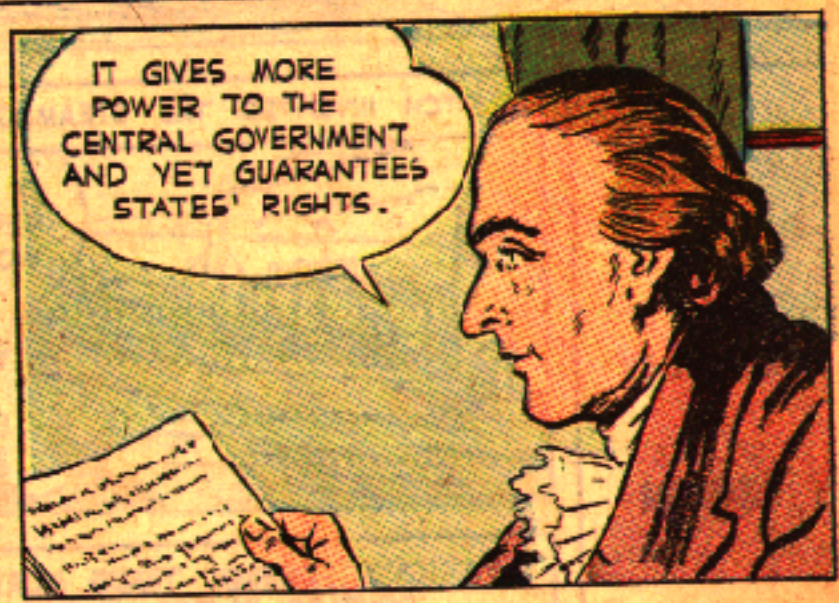
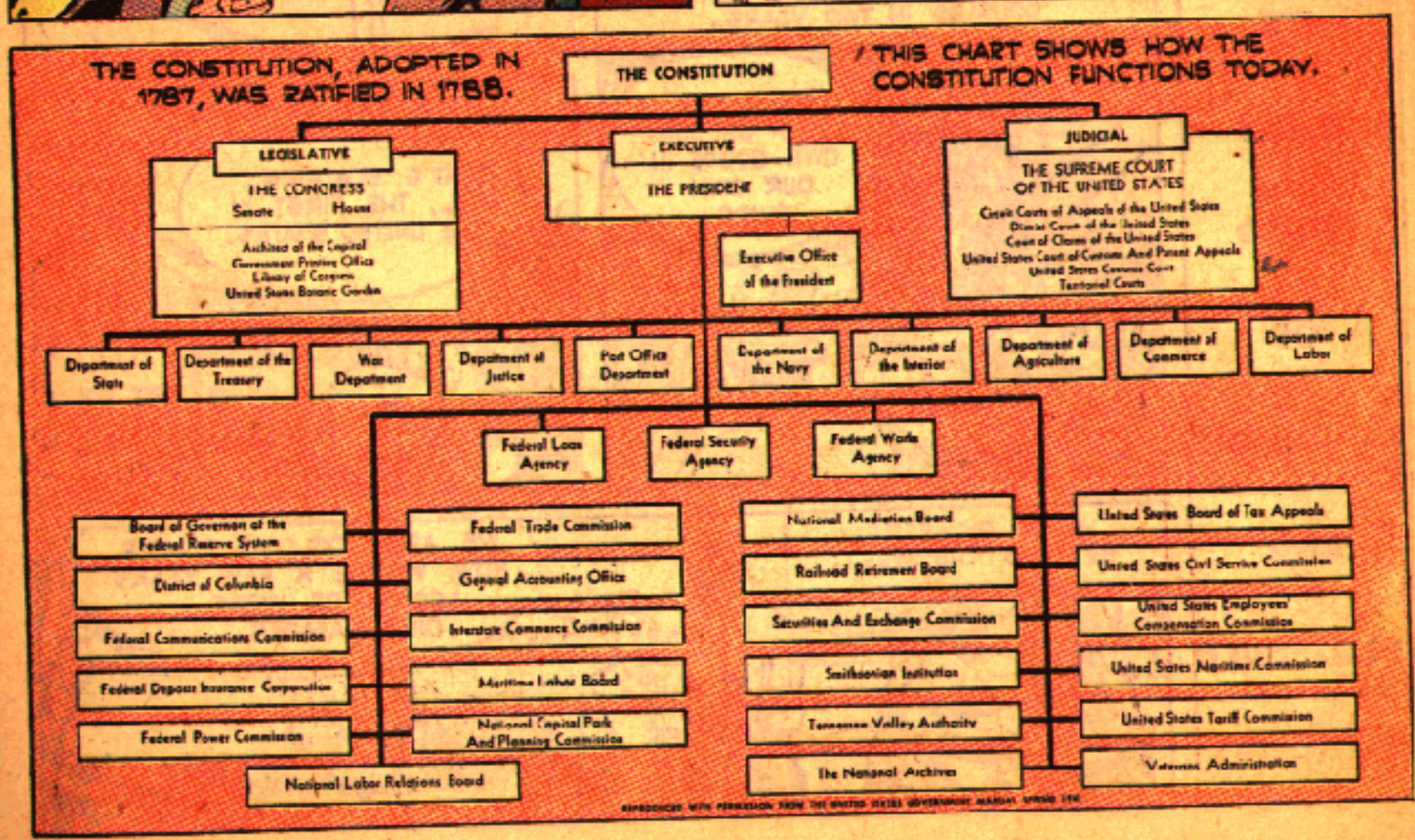


THE SEPARATE STATES HAD MORE POWER THAN THE NATIONAL GOVERNMENT. THERE WAS GREAT RIVALRY AMONG THEM. PENNSYLVANIA AND CONNECTICUT EVEN WENT TO WAR.

1. EDMUND RANDOLPH 2. GOUVERNEUR MORRIS 3. JOHN LANSING 4. BENJAMIN FRANKLIN 5. ALEXANDER HAMILTON 6. NATHANIEL GORHAM 7. SAMUEL ADAMS 8. CHARLES PINCKNEY







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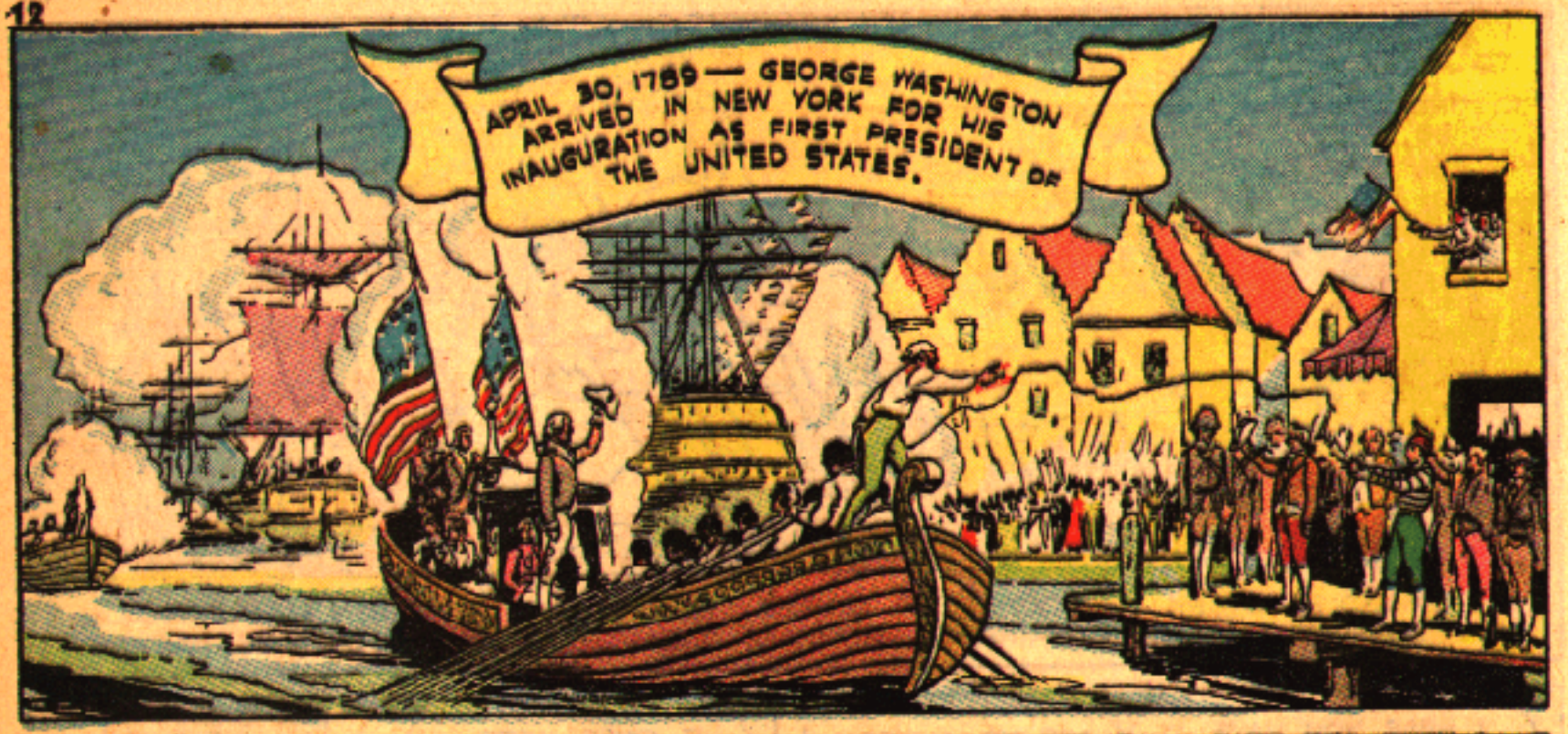
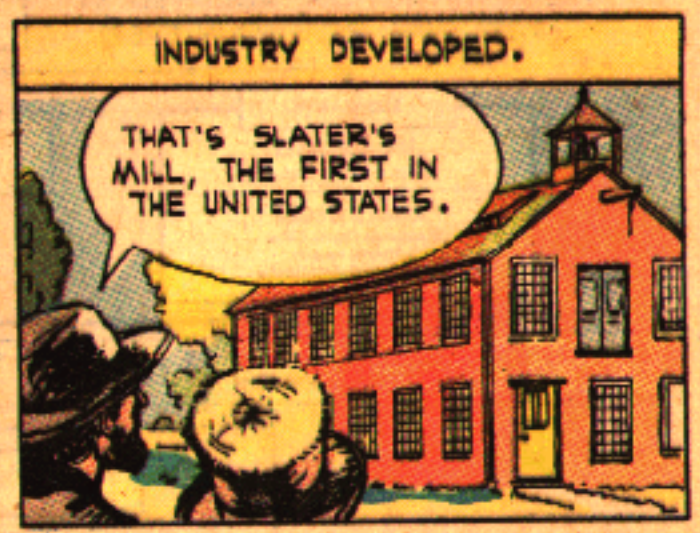


THE COUNTRY BEGAN IT'S GREAT PERIOD OF EXPANSION AND PROSPERITY



BUT ALL WAS NOT CLEAR SAILING.
YOU CAN'T SHIP YOUR GOODS FROM NEW ORLEANS.
FRANCE OWNS THIS PORT AND WE DON'T WANT THE AMERICANS TO USE IT!

BUT WE'RE BOTTLED UP IN THE MISSISSIPPI VALLEY IF WE CAN'T USE THE PORT OF NEW ORLEANS!

IT'S TOO HARD TO SHIP OUR PRODUCTS FROM THE WEST OVER THE ALLEGHENYS TO THE EAST COAST. SOMETHING MUST BE DONE.

SO IN 1803 . . .
GO TO PARIS, MONROE, AND TRY TO BUY NEW ORLEANS FROM NAPOLEON. AMERICA MUST HOLD THE MOUTH OF THE MISSISSIPPI.
YES, PRESIDENT JEFFERSON.

NEW ORLEANS? FOR $20,000,000, I'LL SELL YOU ALL LOUISIANA. NOW THAT I'M FIGHTING ENGLAND, I CANNOT DEFEND IT.

NEARLY A MILLION MILES OF TERRITORY!
IT WILL DOUBLE THE SIZE OF THE UNITED STATES!

British Possessions

COLUMBIA RIVER

LEWIS AND CLARK REACH THE PACIFIC

Oregon Country

MISSOURI RIVER

YELLOWSTONE RIVER

THE "BIRD WOMAN" LEADS THEM WESTWARD

MISSOURI RIVER

Illinois Territory

Indiana Ter.

Michigan Terr.

LEWIS AND CLARK STARTED FROM ST. LOUIS-1804

The Louisiana Purchase

Spanish Possessions

Disputed by United States

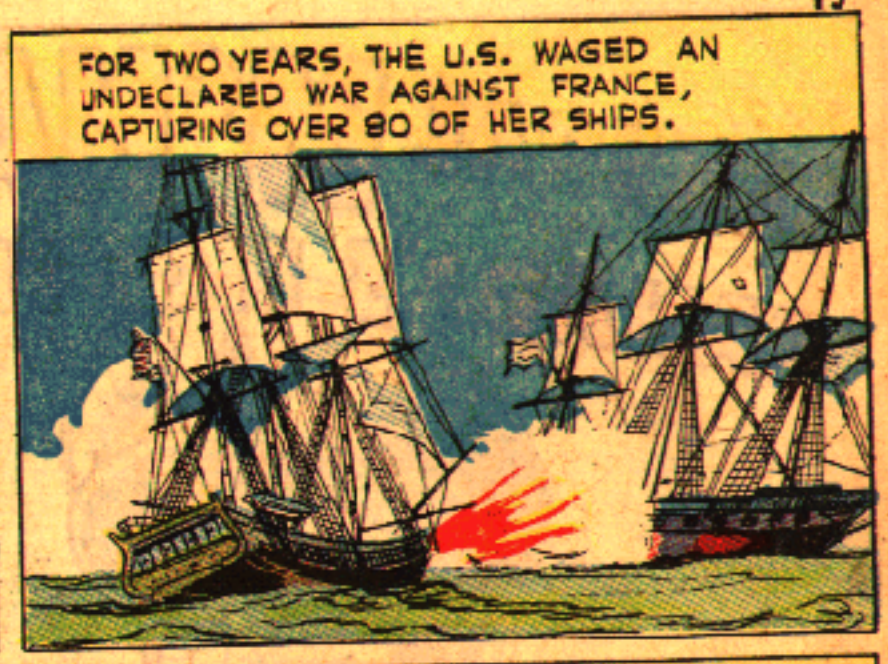
Territory of Orleans

Mississippi Territory

West Florida

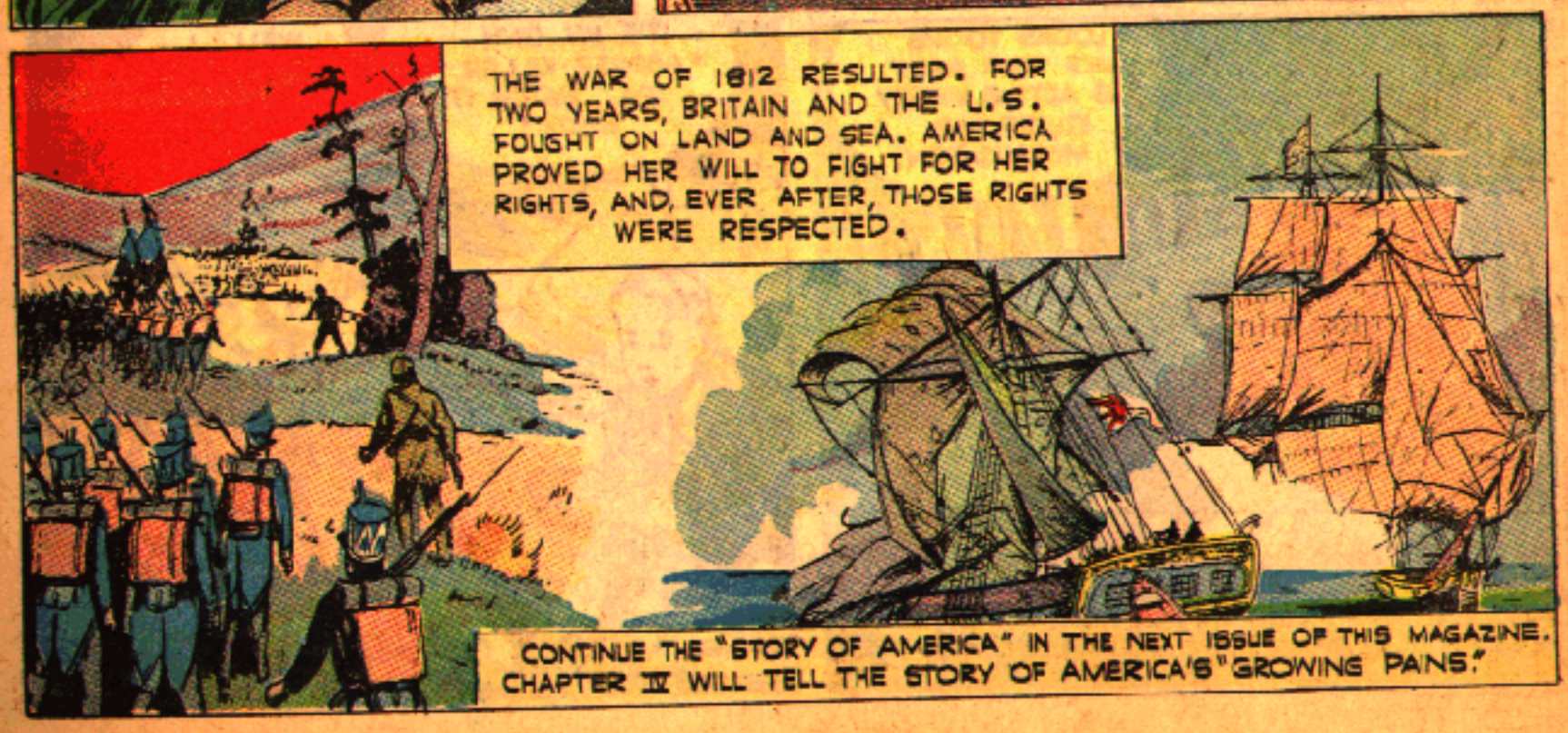
THIS IS THE LAND THE U.S. BOUGHT FOR LESS THAN THREE CENTS AN ACRE IN "THE GREATEST REAL ESTATE DEAL IN HISTORY". MAP ALSO SHOWS ROUTE TAKEN BY LEWIS AND CLARK IN THEIR SURVEY OF THE LOUISIANA TERRITORY.

DURING THE WARS BETWEEN FRANCE AND BRITAIN (1793-1815), BOTH SIDES VIOLATED AMERICAN NEUTRALITY. FRANCE TRIED UNSUCCESSFULLY TO MAKE THE AMERICAN ENVOYS PAY FOR PEACE.
MILLIONS FOR DEFENSE, NOT ONE CENT FOR TRIBUTE!


FOR TWO YEARS, THE U.S. WAGED AN UNDECLARED WAR AGAINST FRANCE, CAPTURING OVER 80 OF HER SHIPS.

THERE WAS TROUBLE WITH GREAT BRITAIN, TOO.
THE BRITISH ARE GIVING THE INDIANS GUNS!
WE'LL NEVER BE SAFE HERE IN THE WEST 'TIL WE PUT AN END TO THAT!

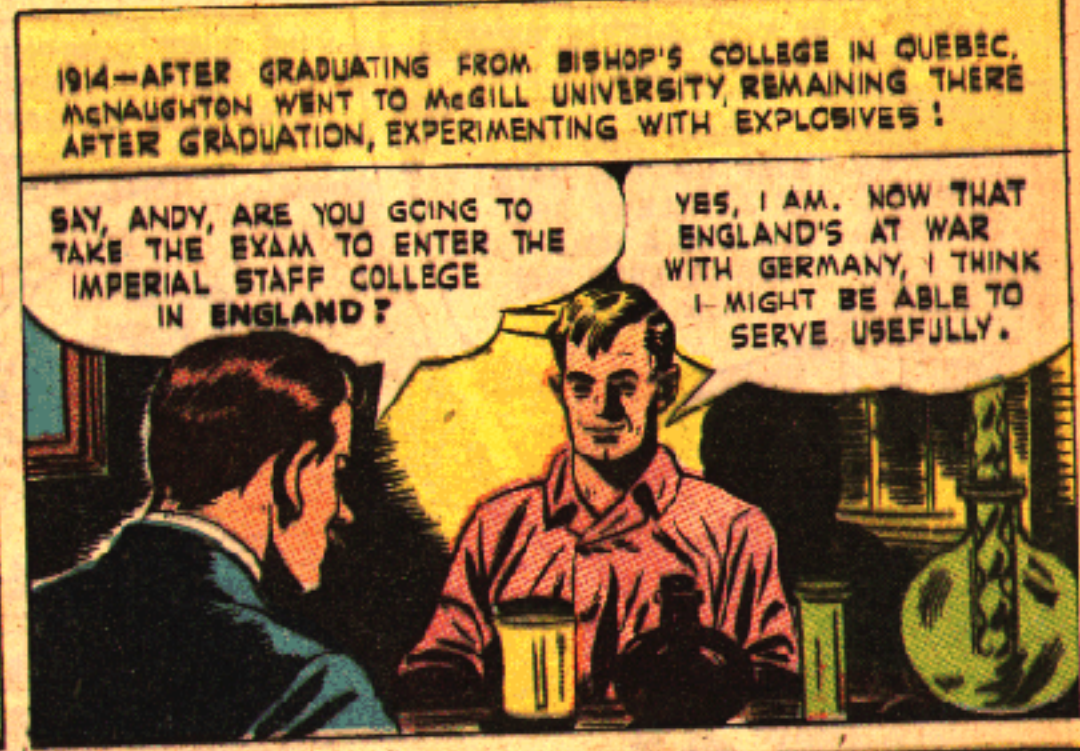
AMERICAN SHIPS WERE STOPPED AT SEA.
AHOY! WE'RE COMING ABOARD TO SEARCH FOR BRITISH DESERTERS!
WE'VE GOT TO STOP THIS SEIZURE OF OUR SEAMEN!


THE WAR OF 1812 RESULTED. FOR TWO YEARS, BRITAIN AND THE U.S. FOUGHT ON LAND AND SEA. AMERICA PROVED HER WILL TO FIGHT FOR HER RIGHTS, AND, EVER AFTER, THOSE RIGHTS WERE RESPECTED.
CONTINUE THE "STORY OF AMERICA" IN THE NEXT ISSUE OF THIS MAGAZINE. CHAPTER IV WILL TELL THE STORY OF AMERICA'S "GROWING PAINS."

GENERAL McNAUGHTON
CANADA'S FIGHTER-SCIENTIST

CANADA'S SOLDIERS HAVE CONFIDENCE IN THEIR LEADER, GENERAL ANDREW McNAUGHTON - AND THE WORLD HAS CONFIDENCE IN THE FIGHTING MEN OF CANADA!

YOU SEE, PA, I FIGURED OUT THAT THE ONLY WAY TO BEAT THE GOPHERS WAS TO USE HEAVY ARTILLERY!


1914—AFTER GRADUATING FROM BISHOP'S COLLEGE IN QUEBEC, McNAUGHTON WENT TO McGILL UNIVERSITY, REMAINING THERE AFTER GRADUATION, EXPERIMENTING WITH EXPLOSIVES!
SAY, ANDY, ARE YOU GOING TO TAKE THE EXAM TO ENTER THE IMPERIAL STAFF COLLEGE IN ENGLAND?
YES, I AM. NOW THAT ENGLAND'S AT WAR WITH GERMANY, I THINK I MIGHT BE ABLE TO SERVE USEFULLY.

I HEARD ABOUT YOUR WINNING THE EXAM, ANDY! BUT SAY—THAT'S A CANADIAN UNIFORM YOU'RE WEARING!
THAT'S RIGHT, DICK. I'VE JOINED THE CANADIAN MILITIA INSTEAD. GOING TO SERVE IN THE HORSE ARTILLERY BATTERY!

VALENCIENNES, FRANCE... ONE OF THE BLOODIEST BATTLEGROUNDS OF WORLD WAR I...
PUT McNAUGHTON IN CHARGE OF THE RIDGE. MAYBE HIS THEORIES OF HEAVY ARTILLERY FIRE WILL WORK.
THEY'D BETTER WORK! WE'VE LOST TOO MANY MEN ALREADY!

THE GERMANS HAVE FORTY BATTALIONS TO OUR FOUR, SIR!
SET YOUR SIGHTS AT 5,000 YARDS!

AT LAST ANDY McNAUGHTON'S THEORIES WERE PUT INTO USE.

I WANT YOU TO STEP UP THE RATE OF ARTILLERY FIRE TWO AND A HALF TIMES. THAT'LL KEEP THE HUN BUSY!

HIS GUNS HURLING 2,000 TONS OF EXPLOSIVES INTO THE GERMAN POSITION, McNAUGHTON KEPT UP THIS TERRIBLE BARRAGE OF STEEL FOR THREE HOURS.

WITH ONLY 500 MEN, AND A LOSS OF BUT 60 LIVES, McNAUGHTON CAPTURED THE ENEMY POSITION—A VICTORY FOR HIS THEORY OF MACHINES AND INTELLIGENT PLANNING."

TWICE WOUNDED IN BATTLE, AND HOLDER OF MANY HONORS, McNAUGHTON RETURNED TO CANADA AFTER THE WAR, WITH THE RANK OF BRIGADIER GENERAL.

BETWEEN WORLD WARS I AND II, McNAUGHTON WORKED TO PREPARE HIS COUNTRY FOR ANY EMERGENCY. HE SENT MEN INTO THE BRUSH TO CLEAR AIR FIELDS.

WHAT'S ANDY MAKING US CLEAR THIS PLACE FOR—PICNIC GROUNDS!

MISTER, WHEN ANDY McNAUGHTON DOES SOMETHING, IT'S FOR A GOOD REASON. THAT MAN'S A SCIENTIST. HEAVE!

TODAY, ANDY McNAUGHTON'S "PICNIC GROUNDS" ARE VITAL TRAINING FIELDS FOR THE R.A.F. AND R.C.A.F.!

WHEN WORLD WAR II CAME, ANDY McNAUGHTON WAS SENT TO ENGLAND IN COMMAND OF CANADA'S 1ST DIVISION. AFTER DUNKIRK...

OUR MEN MUST BE TRAINED SCIENTIFICALLY. WE MUST PLAN ACTIONS AS WE PLAN AN EXPERIMENT IN A LABORATORY!

WHAT ARE WE DIGGING THESE NAZI SHELL FRAGMENTS OUT FOR—SOUVENIRS?

ANDY McNAUGHTON COLLECTS THEM—SO THAT HE KNOWS THE EXACT SIZE OF EVERY ENEMY BATTERY AND THE CALIBER OF EVERY GUN! THAT'S WHY THEY CALL HIM THE "GREATEST GUNNER IN THE WORLD!"

McNAUGHTON CLOCKED ENEMY FIRE UNTIL HE LOCATED EVERY ENEMY BATTERY!

WHO'S THAT CLIMBING INTO THE TANK?

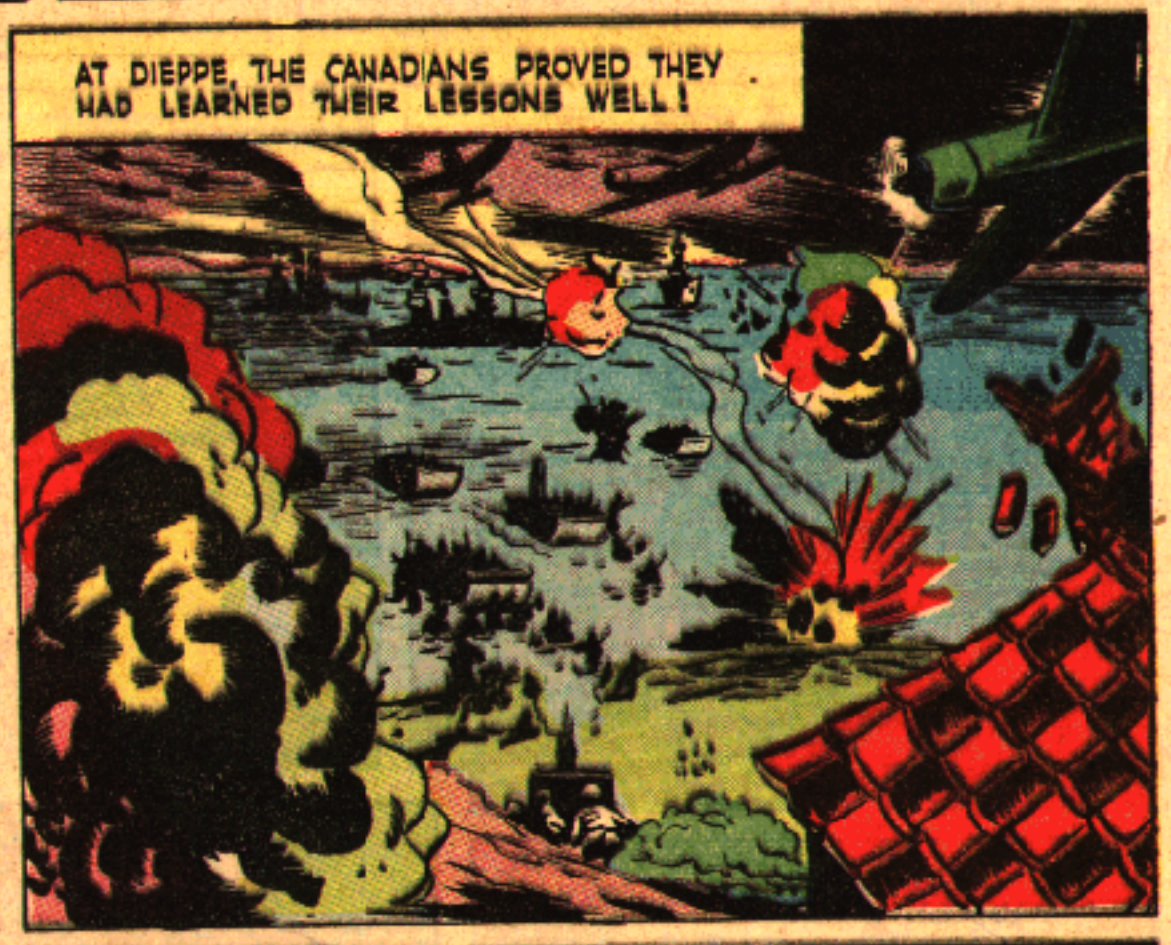
ANDY McNAUGHTON! HE'S THE KIND OF OFFICER WHO WANTS TO SEE FOR HIMSELF!

GENERAL ANDY McNAUGHTON WORKED DAY AND NIGHT TO MAKE HIS ARMY OF CANADIAN VOLUNTEERS THE MOST HEAVILY ARMED IN THE WORLD.
YOU PAY FOR VICTORY IN ONE OF TWO COINS— SHELLS OR HUMAN BLOOD. I PAY IN SHELLS!

THE CANADIANS TRAINED FOR OFFENSE AS WELL AS DEFENSE.
THIS IS PRACTICE NOW, MEN — BUT THE REAL THING ISN'T FAR AWAY!

THE CANADIANS WENT TO SEA WITH THE BRITISH NAVY TO PRACTICE COASTAL LANDINGS UNDER R.A.F. COVER.

BUT WE CAN TAKE A GRASSHOPPER'S LEGS OFF AT 4,000 YARDS!
TELL THAT TO ANDY AND HE'D ORDER YOU TO RAISE YOUR SIGHTS —AND GET THE WHOLE BLOOMIN' INSECT!


AT DIEPPE, THE CANADIANS PROVED THEY HAD LEARNED THEIR LESSONS WELL!

THESE MEN OF CANADA KNOW HOW TO FIGHT—KNOW HOW TO DIE! THEY PROVED IT IN WORLD WAR I, AND ARE READY TO PROVE IT ONCE AGAIN IN THIS WAR FOR THE PRESERVATION OF THE RIGHTS OF MAN THROUGHOUT THE WORLD.
IN THE WORDS OF THEIR LEADER, GEN. McNAUGHTON...
THE CANADIAN ARMY IS A DAGGER, POINTING AT BERLIN. WE INTEND TO GIVE IT TO THE HUNS—RIGHT IN THE BELLY!

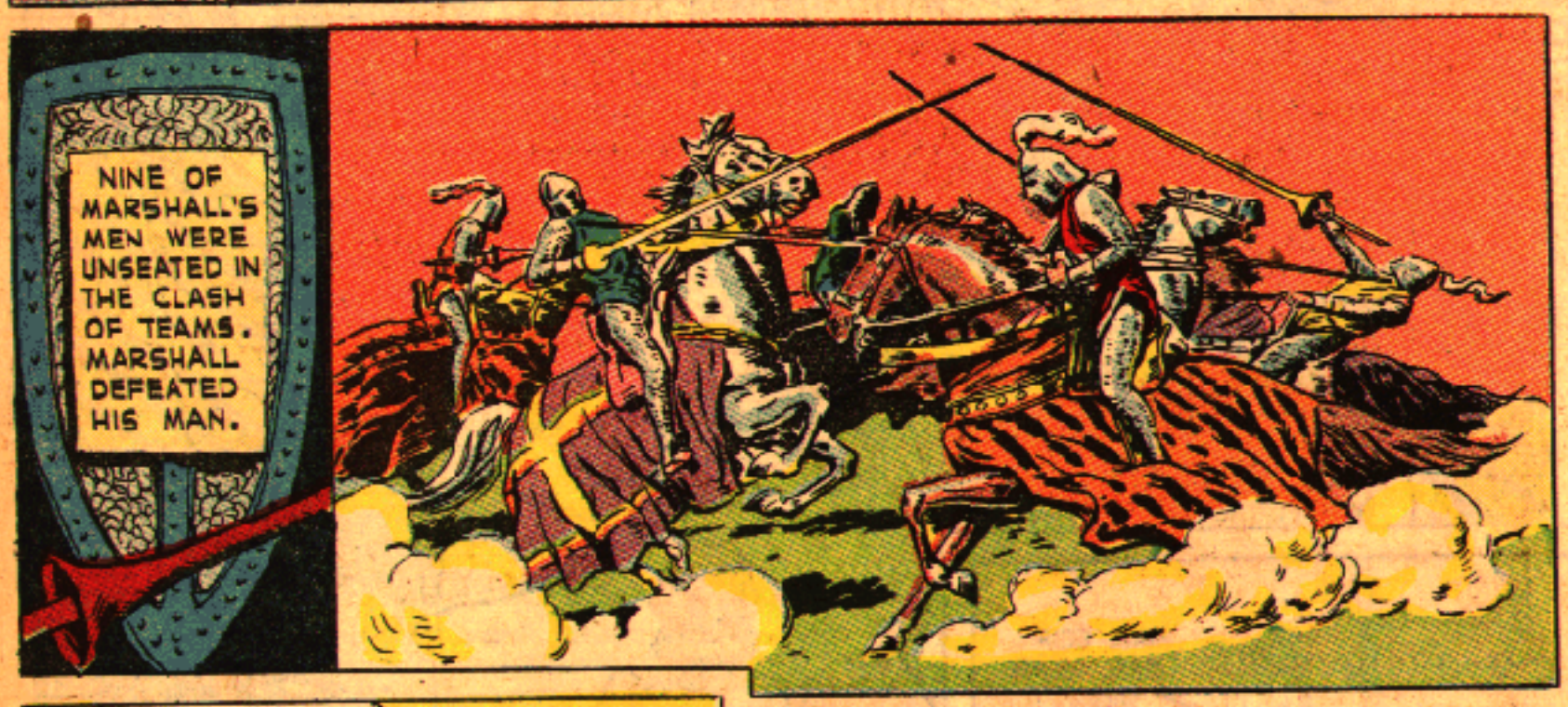
The GREATEST ATHLETE OF THE MIDDLE AGES

THE PEOPLE OF THE MIDDLE AGES DEVELOPED THEIR OWN SPORTS. THEIR CHAMPION ATHLETES WERE NOT FOOTBALL, BASEBALL OR TRACK STARS — THEY WERE KNIGHTS IN ARMOR. THESE "MEN OF STEEL" RODE FROM TOURNAMENT TO TOURNAMENT, FOR GOLD AND GLORY.

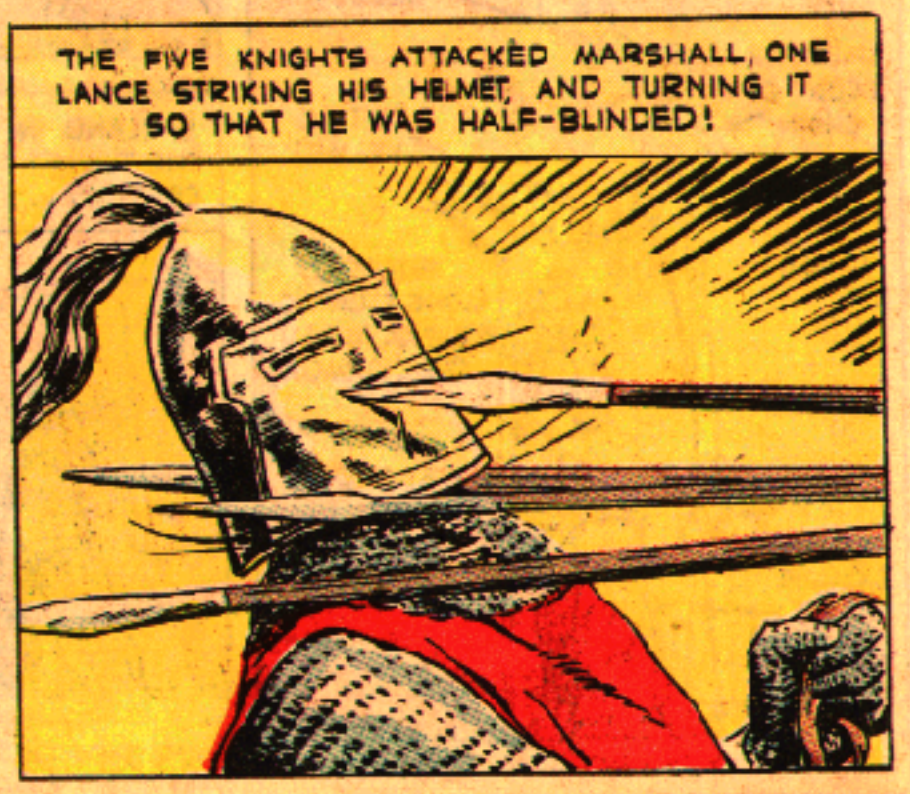
ARMOR WORN IN THE MIDDLE AGES.

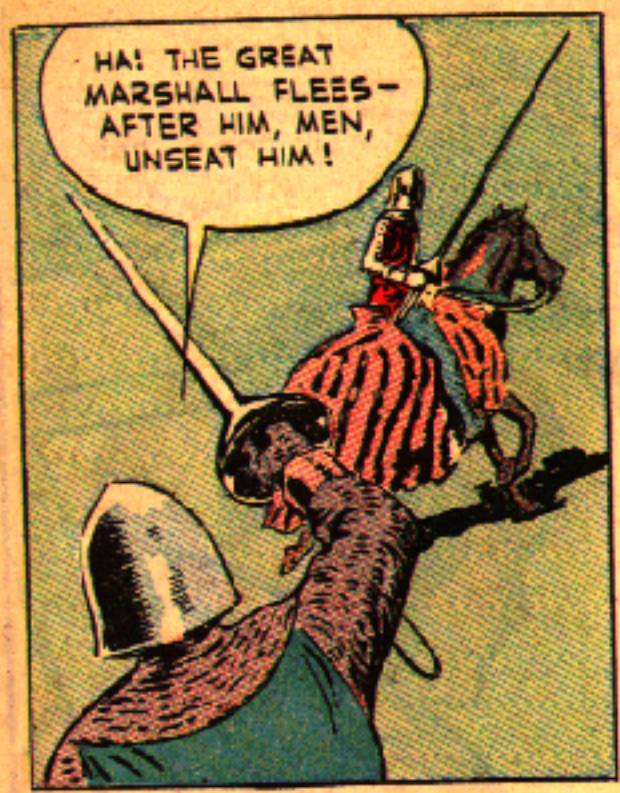
SET FIRMLY THE BLOCK OF WOOD, SQUIRE. I RIDE AGAINST STRONG MEN TODAY, AND WOULD NOT INJURE THEM—JUST UNSEAT THEM FROM THEIR MOUNTS!
YONDER IS WILLIAM MARSHALL, THE GREATEST JOUSTER OF THEM ALL! I WAGER TODAY HE WILL UNSEAT MORE KNIGHTS THAN ANY OTHER!

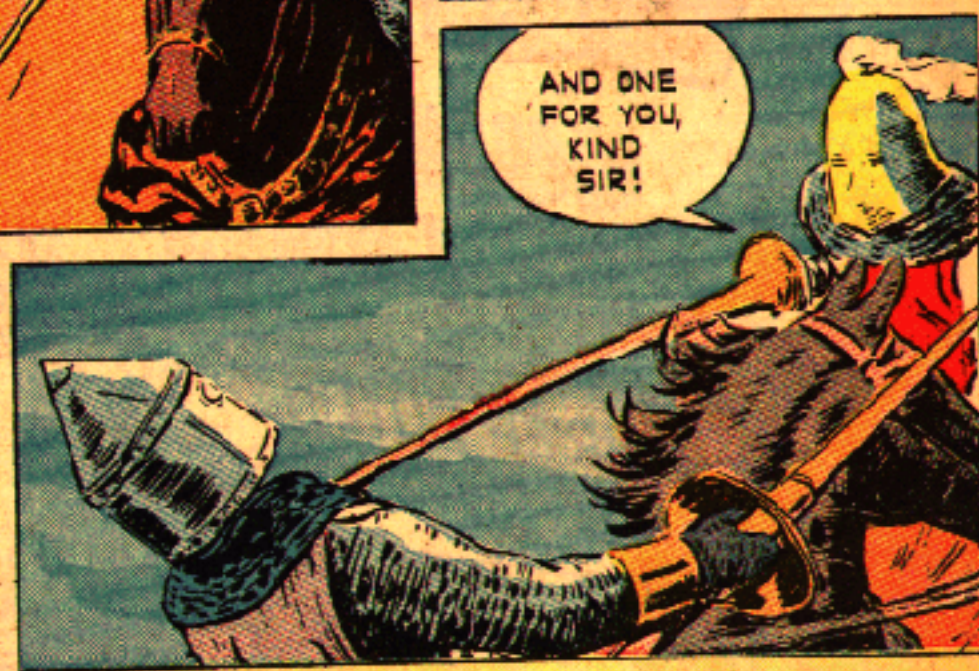
TWO TEAMS OF TEN KNIGHTS EACH LINED UP AT EITHER SIDE OF THE FIELD.
MARSHALL'S MEN ARE WEAK—SAVE FOR MARSHALL HIMSELF. UNSEAT YOUR MEN, AND THOSE OF US STILL UNSEATED WILL ATTACK THE GIANT!


NINE OF MARSHALL'S MEN WERE UNSEATED IN THE CLASH OF TEAMS. MARSHALL DEFEATED HIS MAN.

AT MARSHALL! UNSEAT HIM AND THE PRIZE IS OURS!


THE FIVE KNIGHTS ATTACKED MARSHALL, ONE LANCE STRIKING HIS HELMET, AND TURNING IT SO THAT HE WAS HALF-BLINDED!

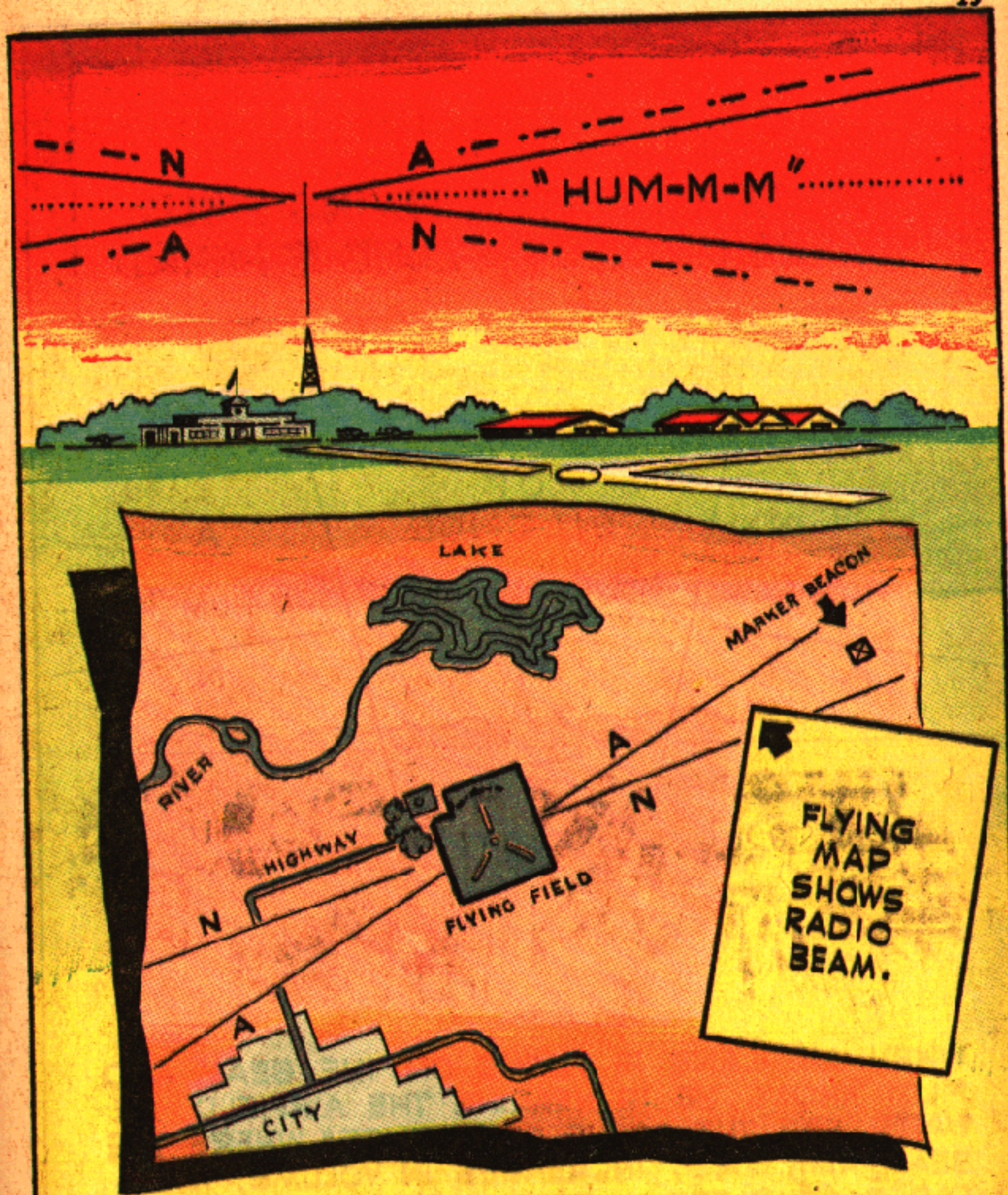




MARSHALL HAD BEATEN THE FIVE KNIGHTS—SINGLE-HANDED!

AND WITH ENGLAND AT WAR TODAY, HER MEN FIGHT WITH THE SAME COURAGE THAT MADE WILLIAM MARSHALL THE GREATEST ATHLETE OF THE MIDDLE AGES!

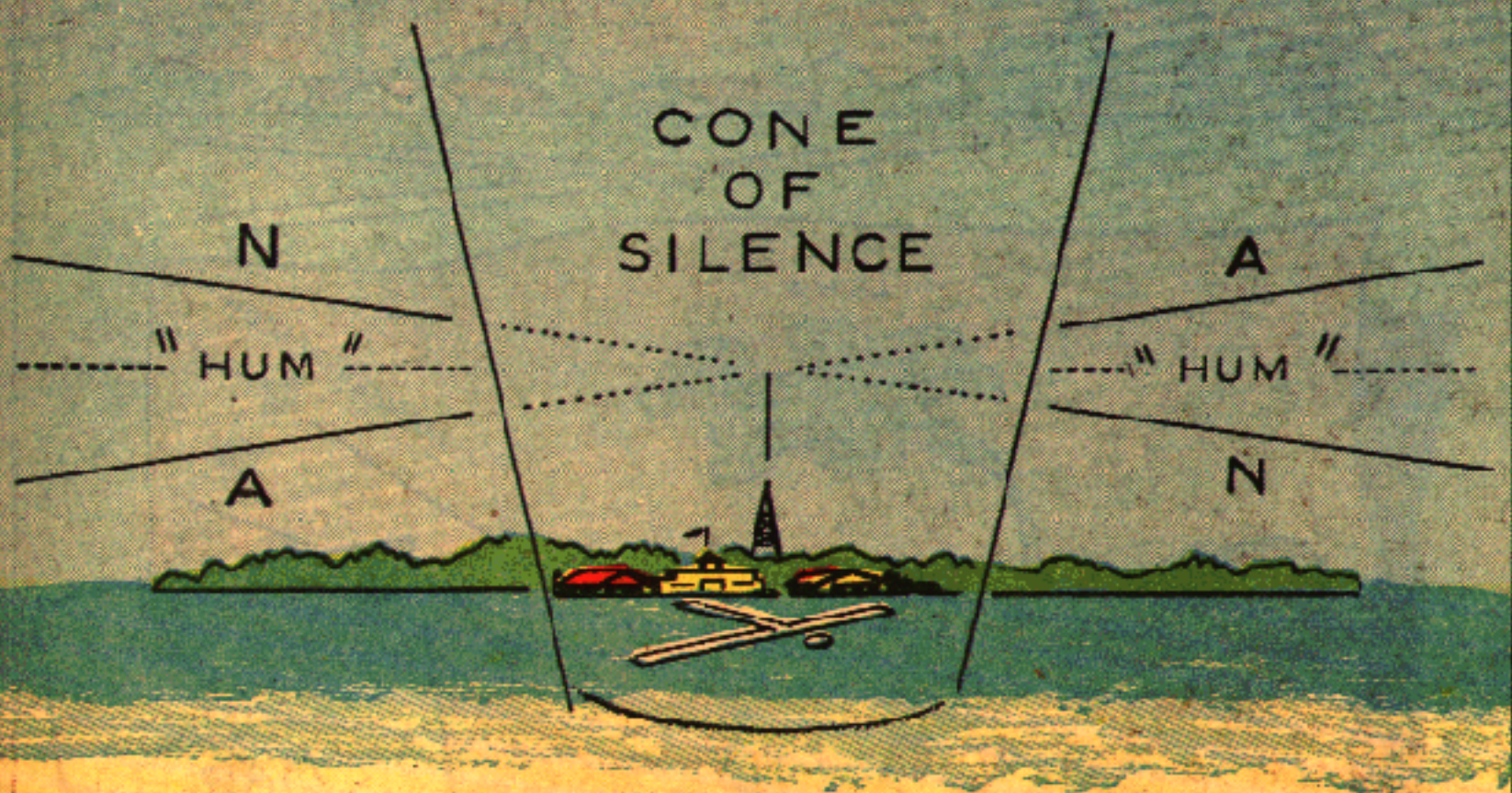
TO GET ON THE BEAM, PILOT TUNES IN ON WAVE LENGTH OF BEAM STATION, AND FLIES ACROSS DISTRICT WHERE BEAM OPERATES UNTIL HE HEARS "N" OR "A", THE OUTSIDE SOUND LETTERS. WHEN THIS SOUND FADES TO A STEADY HUM, THE PILOT KNOWS HE IS ON THE BEAM CENTER. STATION CALL LETTERS BREAK IN AT INTERVALS.



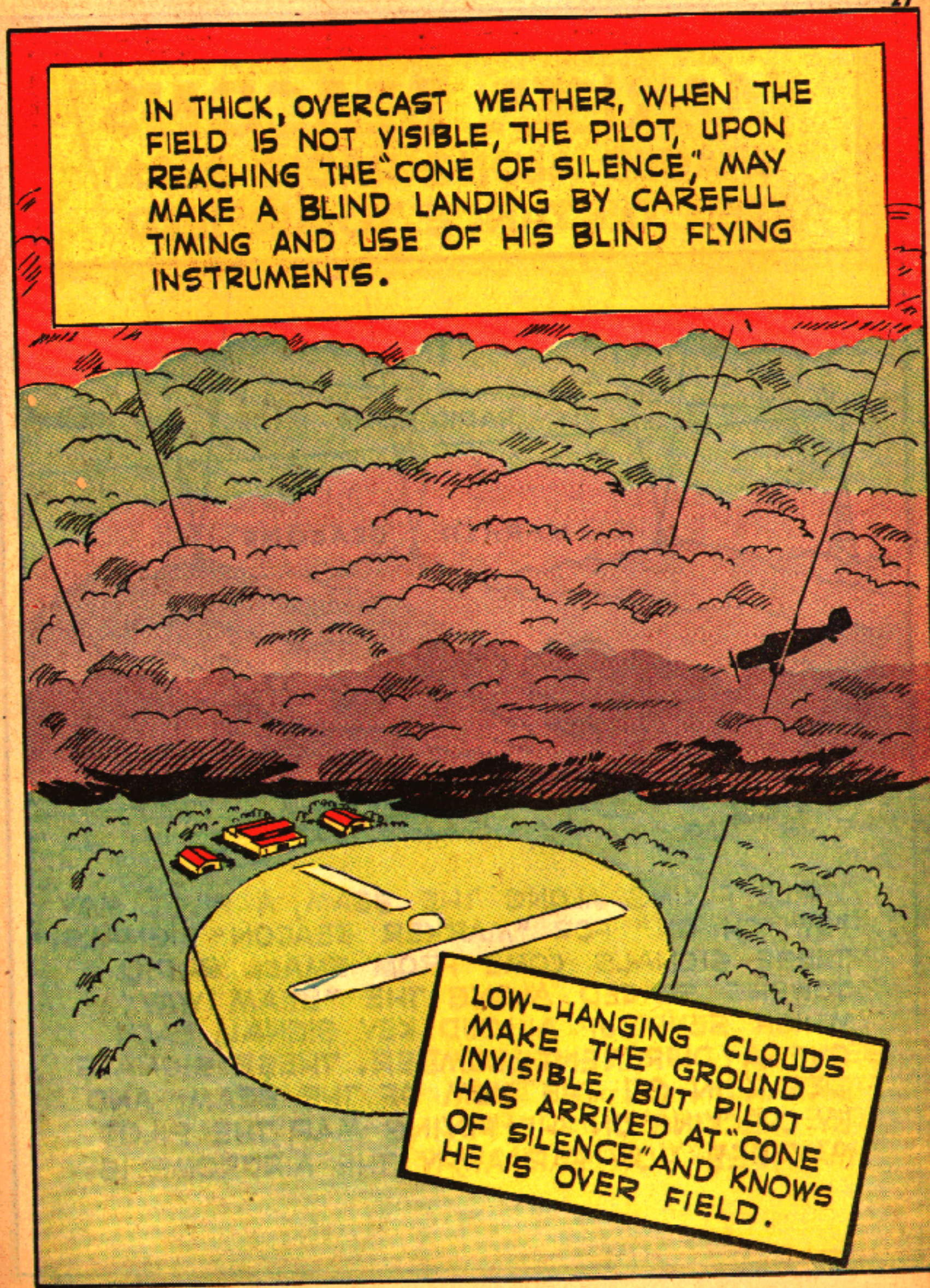
THE BEAM HUM IS LOUDEST IN CENTER. WHEN IT SOFTENS, AND THE "N" OR "A" IS HEARD, PLANE IS SLIPPING LEFT OR RIGHT.

CONE OF SILENCE

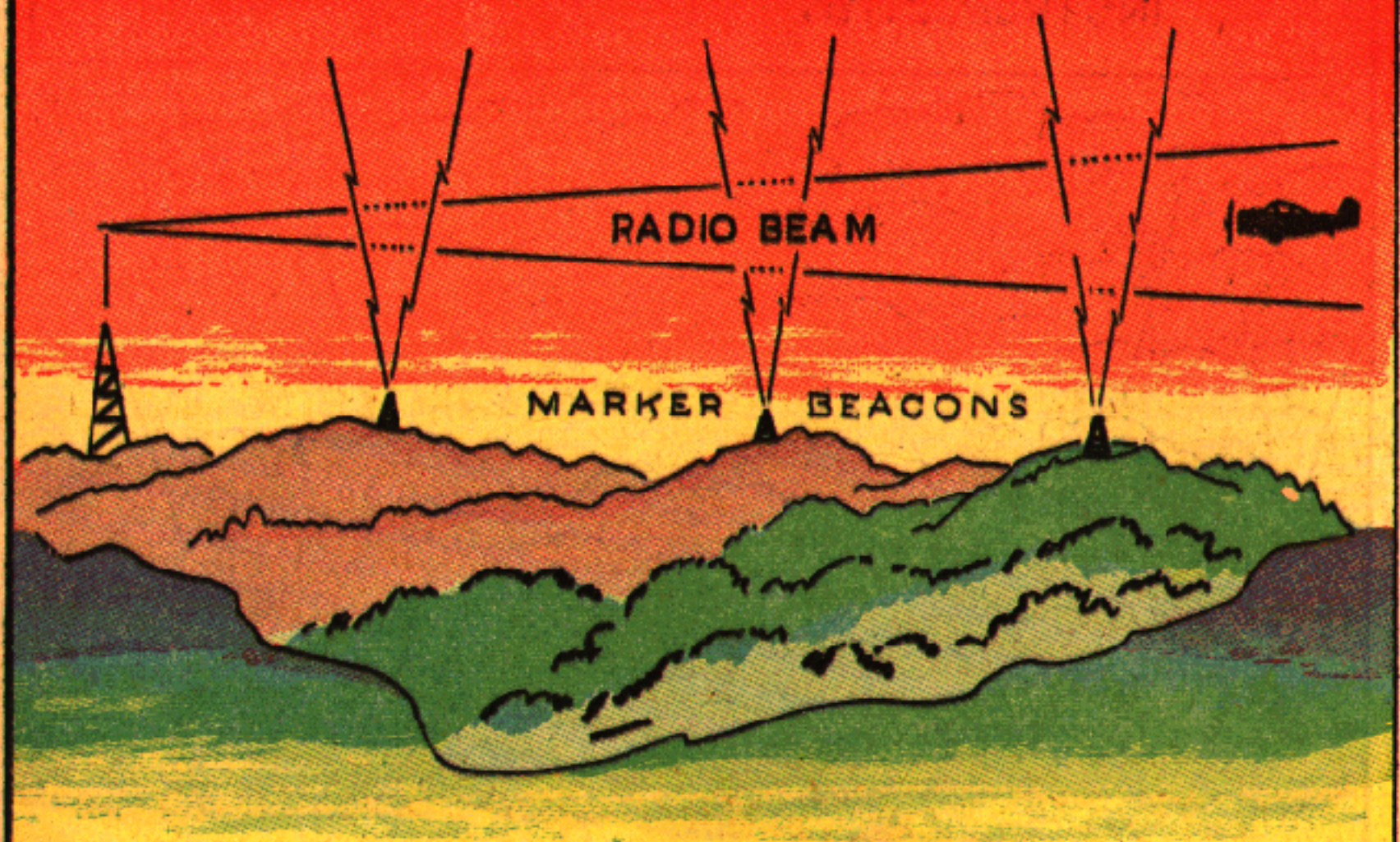
THE AREA OVER A FLYING FIELD WHERE NO BEAM SOUND IS HEARD



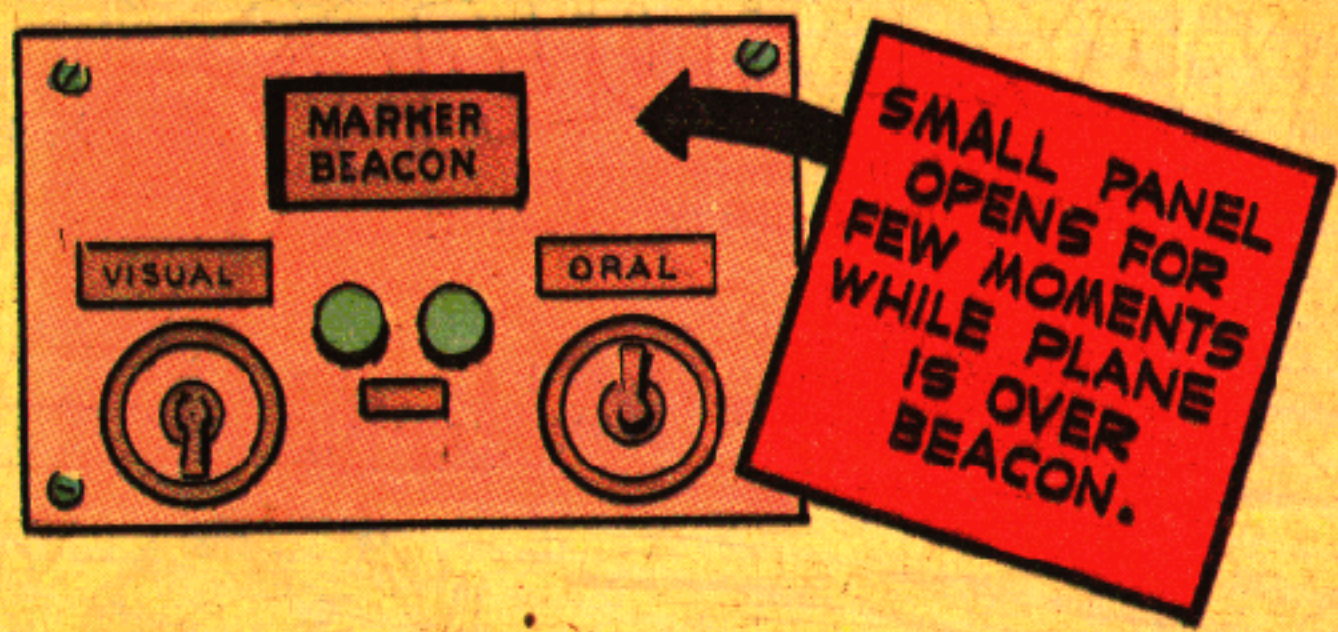
WHEN AIRPLANE IS FLYING ON THE BEAM AND PILOT KNOWS HE IS NEARING THE AIRFIELD, HE WAITS FOR THE "CONE OF SILENCE" WHERE THE BEAM HUM FIRST INCREASES IN VOLUME, THEN FADES COMPLETELY. THIS MARKS THE OUTSIDE EDGE OF THE FLYING FIELD, AND SIGNALS PILOT THAT HE MAY GLIDE IN FOR A LANDING.


IN THICK, OVERCAST WEATHER, WHEN THE FIELD IS NOT VISIBLE, THE PILOT, UPON REACHING THE "CONE OF SILENCE," MAY MAKE A BLIND LANDING BY CAREFUL TIMING AND USE OF HIS BLIND FLYING INSTRUMENTS.
LOW-HANGING CLOUDS MAKE THE GROUND INVISIBLE, BUT PILOT HAS ARRIVED AT "CONE OF SILENCE" AND KNOWS HE IS OVER FIELD.

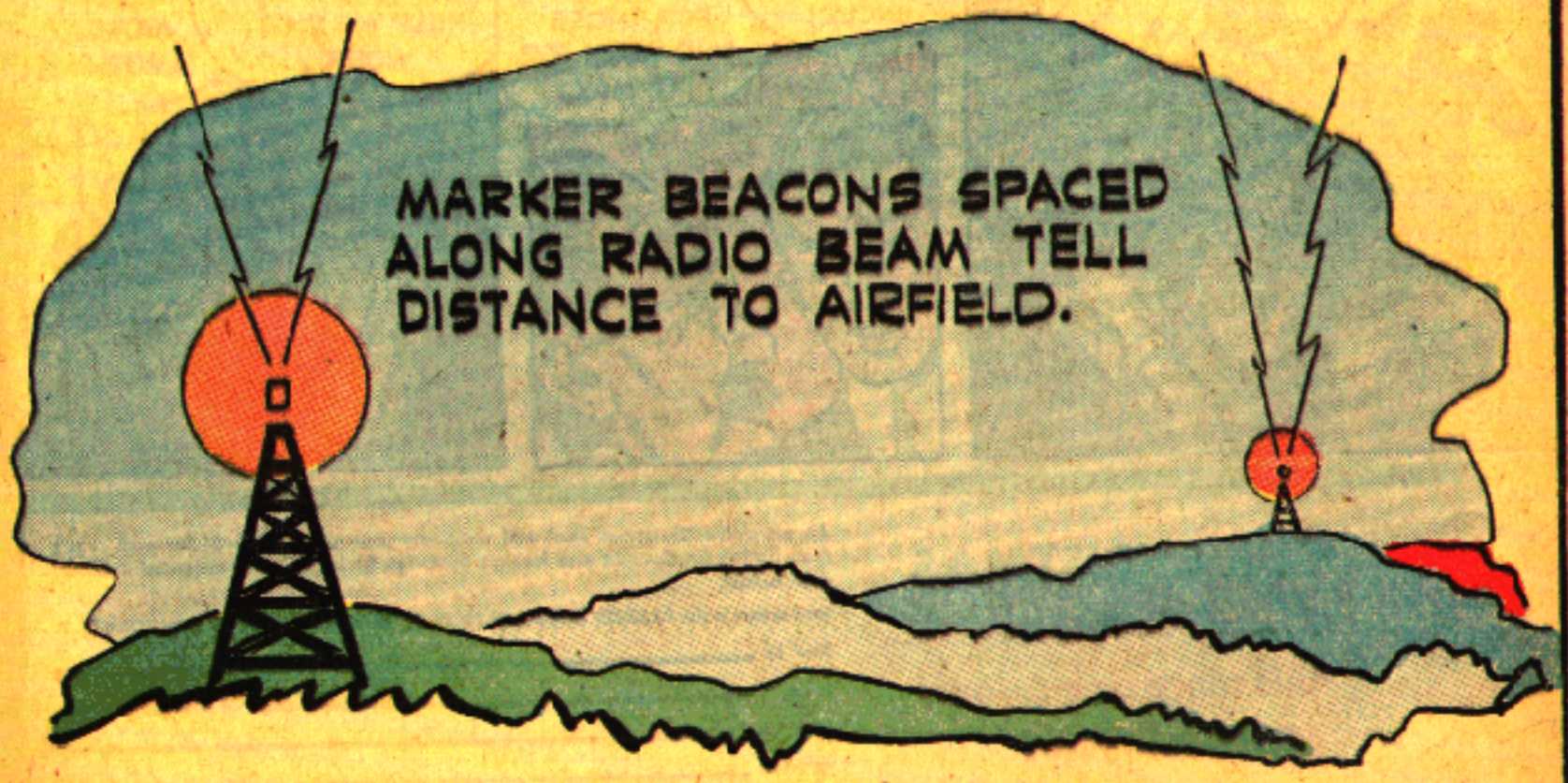
MARKER BEACONS
SPACED ALONG RADIO BEAM TELL DISTANCE TO AIRFIELD



WHILE FLYING ALONG THE BEAM, A PILOT MAY "SWITCH ON" FOR "MARKER BEACON" SIGNALS. THESE SIGNALS COME FROM SMALL RADIO TOWERS SPACED ALONG THE "BEAM WAY", WHICH SEND UP A LOUD KEY SIGNAL, EACH ONE A DIFFERENT NUMBER. THESE SIGNALS BREAK IN ON THE HUM OF THE BEAM, AND BY CHECKING ON THE FLYING MAP, THE PILOT MAY SEE HOW FAR AWAY THE AIRDROME IS.



AFTER THE PILOT HAS HEARD ONE OF THE MARKER BEACON SIGNALS AND LOCATED IT ON THE MAP, HE MAY SWITCH TO "VISUAL" ON INSTRUMENT BOARD AND SIGNALS WILL NOT BE HEARD. INSTEAD, A SMALL PANEL OPENS READING "MARKER BEACON" WHEN PLANE IS DIRECTLY OVER BEACON. THIS AVOIDS "JAMMING" THE BEAM HUM, WHICH AT TIMES IS DIFFICULT TO HEAR.



MAX KHOLAS

HE TURNED A MISTAKE INTO AN IMPORTANT TIME-SAVING IMPROVEMENT!

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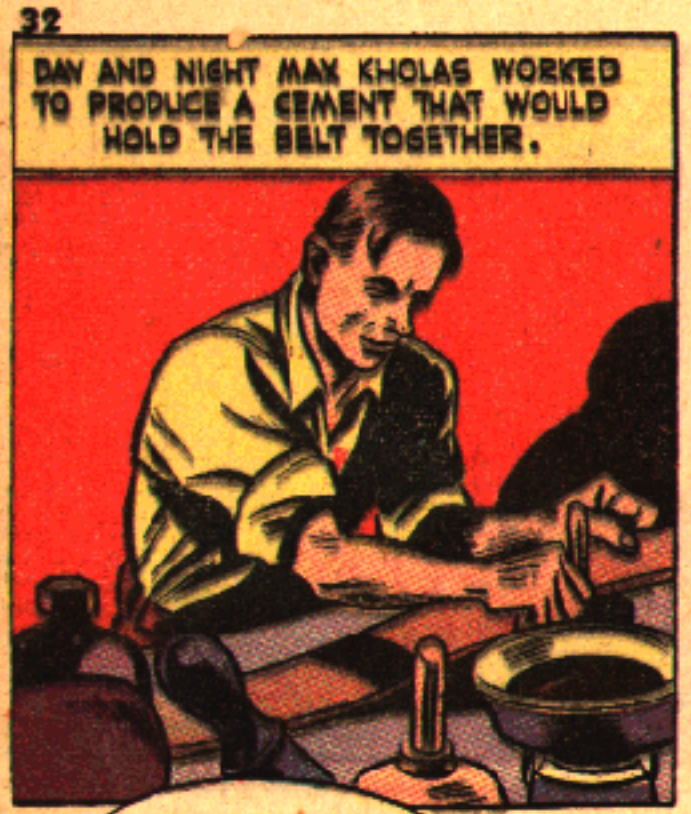
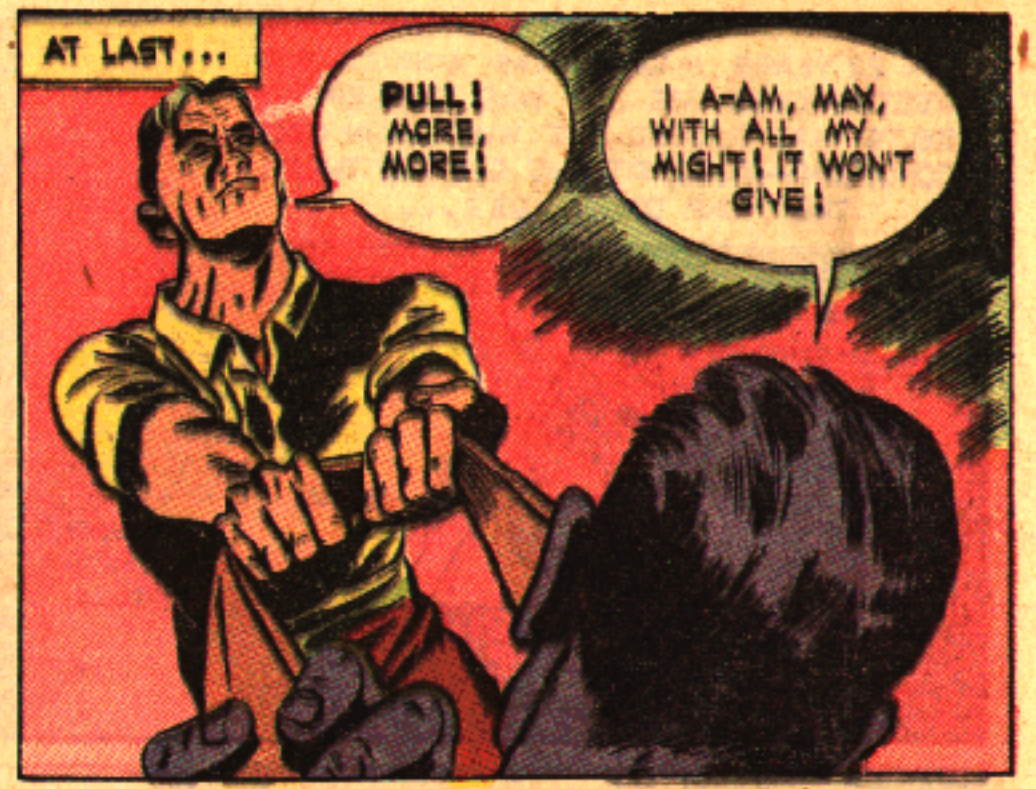
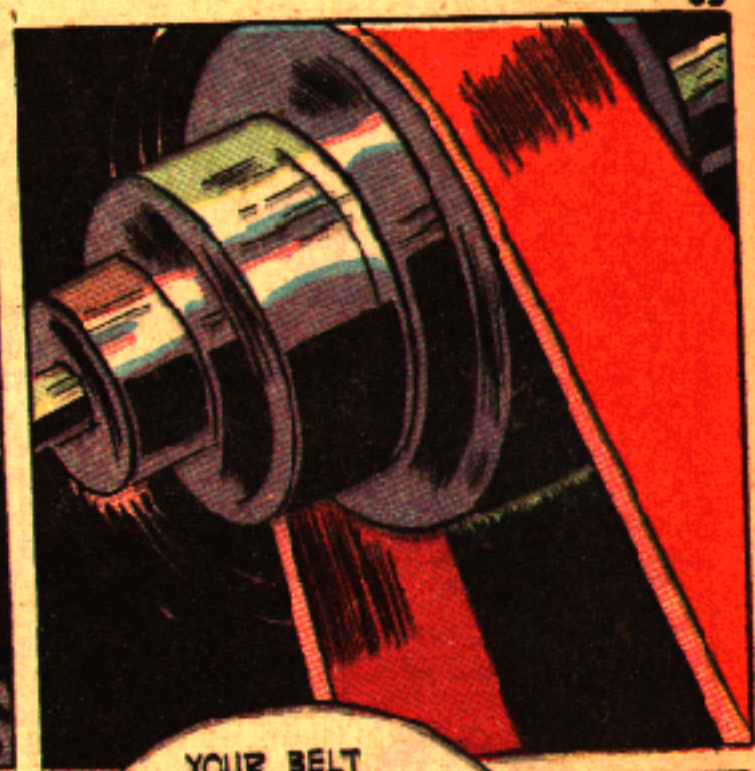
FOR 22 YEARS, MAX KHOLAS WORKED FOR WESTINGHOUSE. HIS JOB WAS TO KEEP THE BELTS THAT TURNED THE WHEELS IN GOOD CONDITION—MEND, FIT AND SERVICE THEM. THEN, ONE DAY IN 1939...
WHAT'S THE MATTER, MAX?
I MADE A MISTAKE AND ORDERED THIS BELT SIX INCHES TOO LONG!
WHY DON'T YOU FASTEN THE ENDS TOGETHER WITH METAL FASTENERS?
THEY WOULD CAUSE TOO MUCH VIBRATION! NO, I'VE CUT OFF THE EXTRA INCHES, AND NOW I'M GOING TO TRY AND GLUE THE ENDS TOGETHER.
GLUE
NOW PULL WITH ALL YOUR MIGHT! WE'LL SEE IF THIS GLUE WORKS!
O-O-PS
I THINK I'M ON THE RIGHT TRACK, CHIEF. I'D LIKE SOME TIME AND EQUIPMENT TO WORK ON A CEMENT THAT WILL HOLD THE ENDS OF THESE BELTS TOGETHER—FIRM!
GO TO WORK ON IT, MAX. YOU'LL GET WHATEVER YOU NEED.


DAY AND NIGHT MAX KHOLAS WORKED TO PRODUCE A CEMENT THAT WOULD HOLD THE BELT TOGETHER.


AT LAST...
PULL! MORE, MORE!
I A-AM, MAX, WITH ALL MY MIGHT! IT WON'T GIVE!

A SPECIAL CEMENT AND A NEW METHOD OF CUTTING, GENTLEMEN, HOLD TOGETHER THE BELTS UNDER THE GREATEST STRAIN.
LOOKS GOOD! NOW TO TEST IT!
MAX KHOLAS AND THE WESTINGHOUSE ENGINEERS TESTED AND PERFECTED THE CEMENTED BELT, TRYING ITS STRENGTH UNDER ALL CONDITIONS.
IT WORKS, CHIEF! HERE'S A CEMENTED BELT AFTER 80 HOURS OF CONTINUAL RUNNING.
UMM! GOOD AS NEW, NOT A STITCH GAVE!

WE'LL INSTALL YOUR BELTS ON THE HIGH SPEED MACHINE, MAX—THAT'LL BE THE ACID TEST!



MAX, HERE'S A CHECK FOR $1,200 FROM THE WESTINGHOUSE COMPANY, IN APPRECIATION OF YOUR FINE WORK.

YOUR BELT WILL REPLACE LEATHER BELTS, GIVE LEATHER TO THE WAR EFFORT, AND CUT DOWN ON TIME AND MATERIALS!
THANK YOU, CHIEF, AND TO THINK ALL THIS HAPPENED BECAUSE I MADE A MISTAKE AND ORDERED A BELT SIX INCHES TOO LONG!

WITH THE KIND OF "EXTRA" EFFORT AND IMAGINATION SHOWN BY MEN LIKE MAX KHOLAS, THE WORKERS WHO RUN THE MACHINES THAT PRODUCE THE WEAPONS OF WAR AND THE MACHINERY TO FORGE THESE WEAPONS, HAVE PROVEN THAT THE SOLDIER-WORKER ON THE HOME FRONT, HAS AN IMPORTANT JOB TO DO! AND HE'S DOING IT WITH A SKILL AND DETERMINATION THAT SAYS — "LOOK OUT, AXIS! AMERICAN PRODUCTION IS ON THE WAY!"

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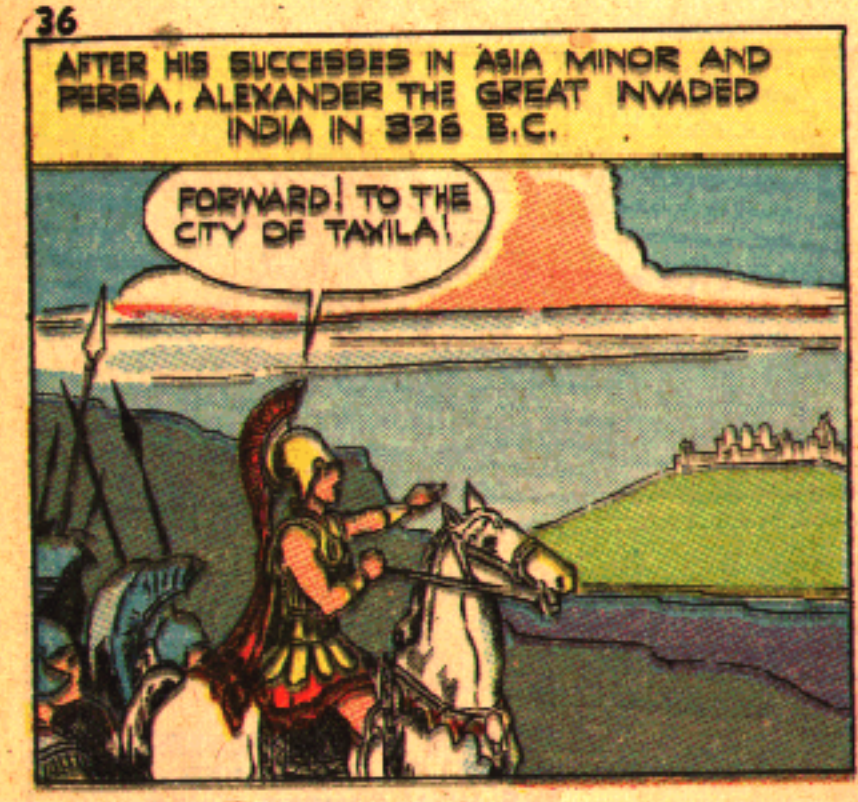

AFTER HIS SUCCESSES IN ASIA MINOR AND PERSIA, ALEXANDER THE GREAT INVADED INDIA IN 326 B.C.
FORWARD! TO THE CITY OF TAXILA!

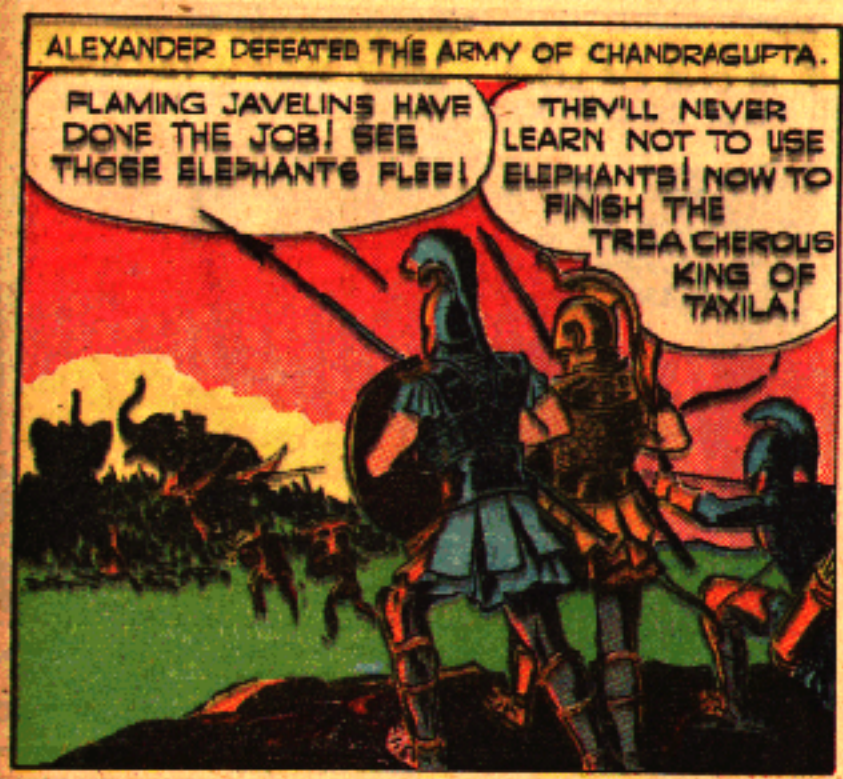
I SEEK ONLY THE TOKENS OF SUBMISSION - A PHIAL OF WATER AND A GLASS OF SAND.
WELCOME, MIGHTY ALEXANDER, TO INDIA.
PRETENDING TO WELCOME ALEXANDER, THE KING OF TAXILA SECRETLY SENT WORD TO HIS INDIAN ALLY, CHANDRAGUPTA, TO ATTACK THE INVADING GREEKS.

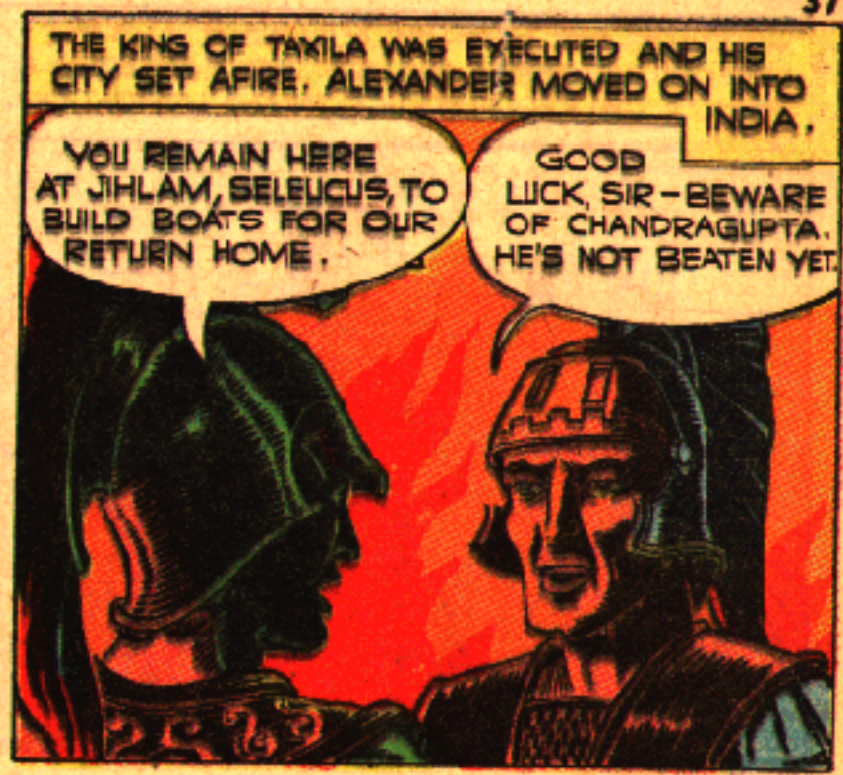
THE KING SAID WE MUST HURRY!
YES! CHANDRAGUPTA WAITS FOR THE SIGNAL TO ATTACK ALEXANDER.

CHANDRAGUPTA MOVED HIS ARMY TO BATTLE.
GET READY, MEN - WE MARCH!
HURRAH! WE SHALL DRIVE OUT THE GREEKS!

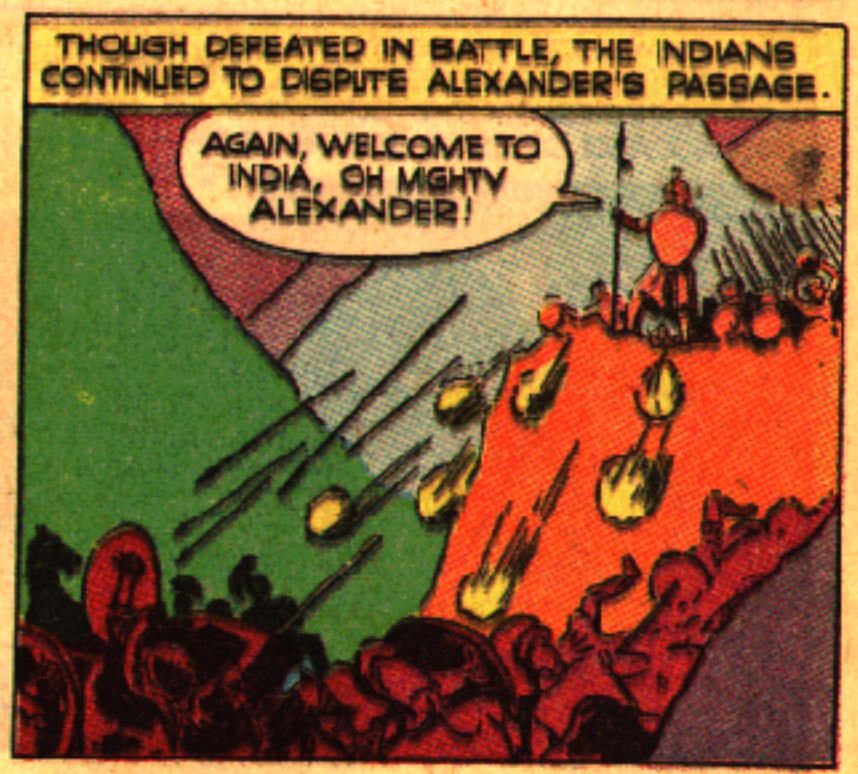
AN ENEMY APPROACHES! MAKE READY FOR BATTLE, GREEKS. THE KING OF TAXILA HAS TRICKED US!

HIS INFANTRY NEEDS A LITTLE URGING. SEE - CHANDRAGUPTA WHIPS HIS MEN INTO BATTLE!


ALEXANDER DEFEATED THE ARMY OF CHANDRAGUPTA.
FLAMING JAVELINS HAVE DONE THE JOB! SEE THOSE ELEPHANTS FLEE!
THEY'LL NEVER LEARN NOT TO USE ELEPHANTS! NOW TO FINISH THE TREACHEROUS KING OF TAXILA!

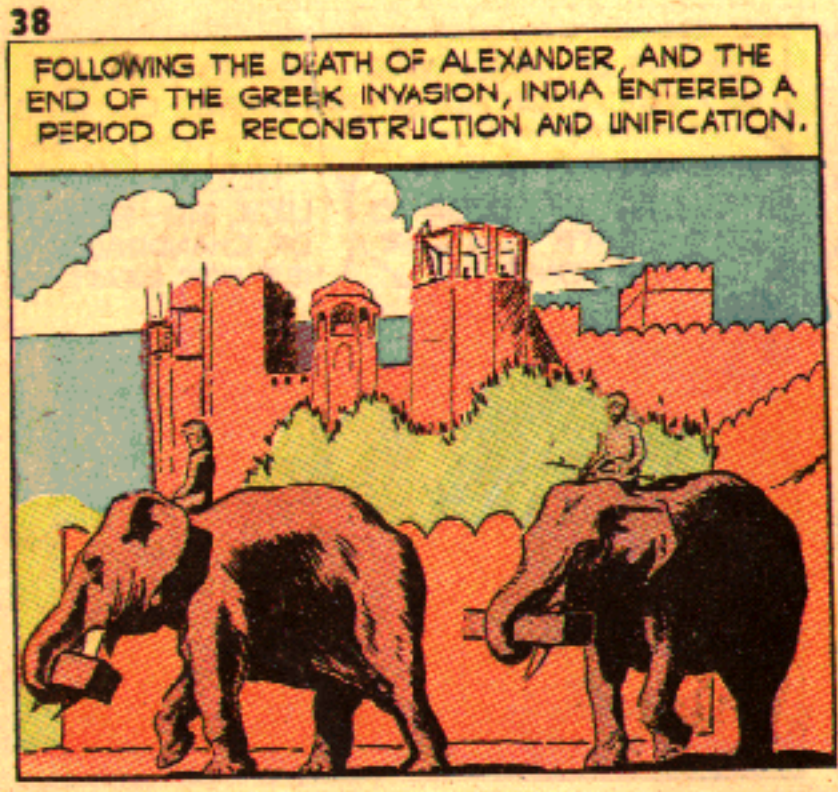

THE KING OF TAXILA WAS EXECUTED AND HIS CITY SET AFIRE. ALEXANDER MOVED ON INTO INDIA.
YOU REMAIN HERE AT JIHLAM, SELEUCUS, TO BUILD BOATS FOR OUR RETURN HOME.
GOOD LUCK, SIR – BEWARE OF CHANDRAGUPTA. HE'S NOT BEATEN YET.

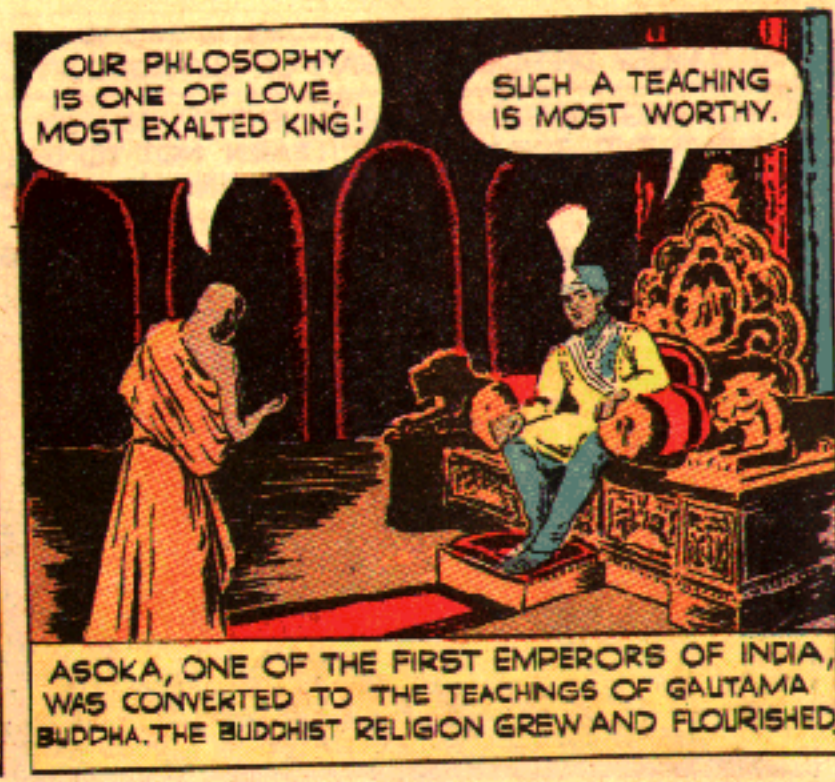
CHANDRAGUPTA, RETREATING, CHOSE PLACES TO RESIST ALEXANDER'S ADVANCE...
WE'LL STOP THEM AT JAMU.
WE SHALL HARRY THE GREEKS WHEREVER THEY GO!


THOUGH DEFEATED IN BATTLE, THE INDIANS CONTINUED TO DISPUTE ALEXANDER'S PASSAGE.
AGAIN, WELCOME TO INDIA, OH MIGHTY ALEXANDER!

INDIA HOLDS UNTOLD WEALTH. SHALL WE GO ON?
NO! CHANDRAGUPTA IS A FIEND! HE HAS SCORCHED THE EARTH AND POISONED THE WELLS! WE WILL DIE OF FEVER!

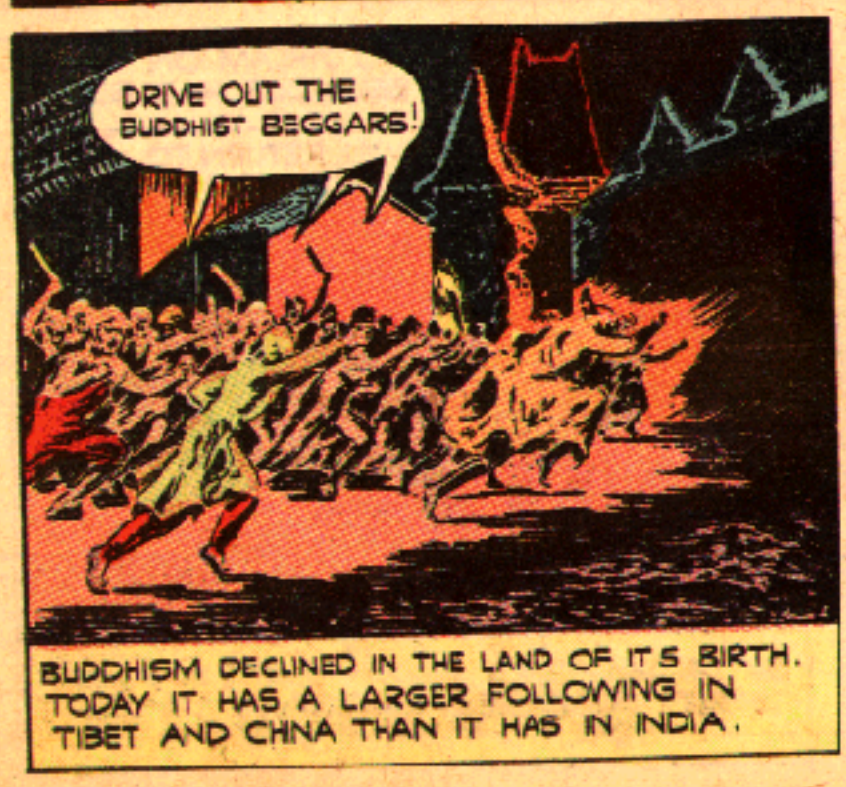
ALEXANDER RETURNED TO JIHLAM ON THE INDUS RIVER, WHERE SELEUCUS HAD BUILT THE BOATS.
WE WILL RETURN TO INDIA WHEN OUR MEN ARE RESTED. WE SAIL TO PERSIA.
BUT ALEXANDER'S SUDDEN DEATH IN PERSIA UPSET THE GREEK AMBITIONS TO ADD INDIA TO THEIR EMPIRE.


FOLLOWING THE DEATH OF ALEXANDER, AND THE END OF THE GREEK INVASION, INDIA ENTERED A PERIOD OF RECONSTRUCTION AND UNIFICATION.

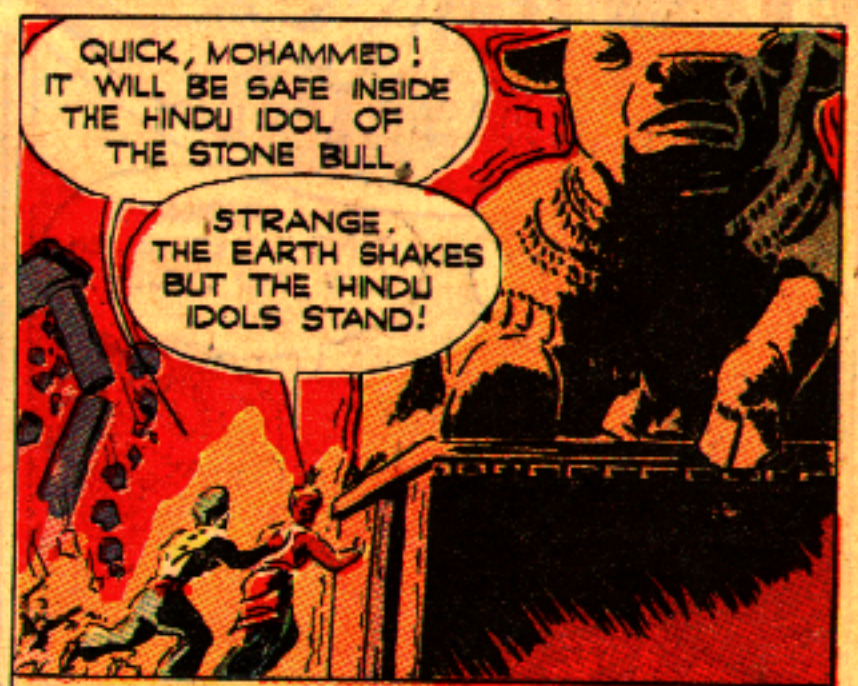

OUR PHILOSOPHY IS ONE OF LOVE, MOST EXALTED KING!
SUCH A TEACHING IS MOST WORTHY.
ASOKA, ONE OF THE FIRST EMPERORS OF INDIA, WAS CONVERTED TO THE TEACHINGS OF GAUTAMA BUDDHA. THE BUDDHIST RELIGION GREW AND FLOURISHED.

ASOKA'S WAR ON HIS ENEMY, KALINGA, THOUGH SUCCESSFUL, WAS HIS FIRST AND LAST WAR. HE WAS HORRIFIED BY THE SUFFERING HE HAD CAUSED AND DEVOTED THE REST OF HIS LIFE TO RELIGION.

WHO WAS THIS BUDDHA? OUR OWN RELIGION IS THE ONLY TRUE FAITH.
VAST NUMBERS OF THE PEOPLE HELD TO THE OLDER HINDU FAITHS, AND AFTER ASOKA'S DEATH, THE BUDDHISTS WERE PERSECUTED.


DRIVE OUT THE BUDDHIST BEGGARS!
BUDDHISM DECLINED IN THE LAND OF ITS BIRTH. TODAY IT HAS A LARGER FOLLOWING IN TIBET AND CHINA THAN IT HAS IN INDIA.

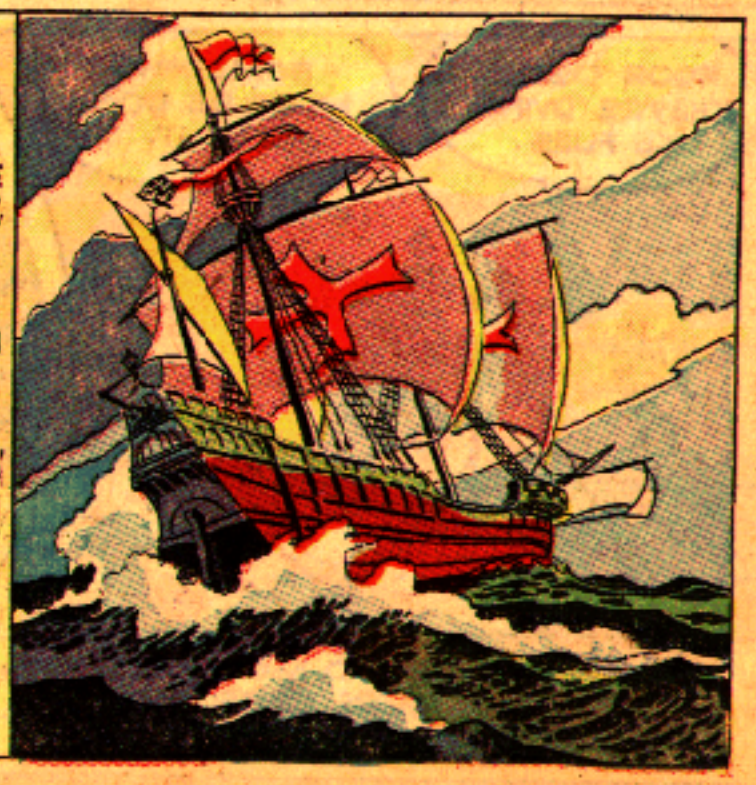
LASTING PEACE DID NOT COME TO INDIA. IT SUFFERED INVASIONS FROM THE GREEKS, NOMADIC PEOPLE FROM CENTRAL ASIA, AND MOUNTAIN TRIBES.



MOHAMMEDANISM WAS INTRODUCED INTO INDIA BUT THE HINDU RELIGION WAS NOT DESTROYED.

IN 1505, BABUR, KING OF KABUL, INVADED INDIA, USING EUROPEAN ARTILLERY. HE ESTABLISHED THE MOGUL EMPIRE WHICH LASTED UNTIL 1761.

AT THE CLOSE OF THE 15TH CENTURY, THE "TRADE INVASION" BEGAN. COMPETITION WAS KEEN BETWEEN THE PORTUGUESE, DUTCH, FRENCH AND ENGLISH FOR THE WEALTH OF INDIA.



THE RICHES OF INDIA LED DARING EXPLORERS. OF ALMOST EVERY EUROPEAN NATION TO FIND A SHORTER ROUTE. COLUMBUS WAS ONE WHO THOUGHT THAT BY SAILING WEST HE COULD REACH INDIA. INSTEAD HE DISCOVERED THE AMERICAN CONTINENT.
1600
WE WILL ESTABLISH THE EAST INDIA COMPANY.
ENGLAND ESTABLISHED TRADE RELATIONS WITH INDIA, BUT THE DANGERS OF TRADING IN INDIA WERE GREAT. THERE WERE MANY UPRISINGS AND RIOTS.
ENGLISHMEN ARE BEING KILLED! SOMETHING MUST BE DONE.
PERHAPS CLIVE CAN ESTABLISH LAW AND ORDER, SIR.
JUNE 23, 1757 - ROBERT CLIVE, MERCHANT TURNED SOLDIER, DEFEATED THE FRENCH IN INDIA. AT PLASSEY, IN 1757, HE ROUTED PRINCE SURAJ-UD-DOWLAH TO FOUND THE BRITISH EMPIRE IN INDIA.
POOR DEVILS! THEY'RE DYING LIKE FLIES.
SOMETHING MUST BE DONE ABOUT IT.
FAMINE, SUFFERING AND MISMANAGEMENT BY MANY INDIAN RULERS CAUSED BRITAIN TO ASSUME STILL MORE POWER IN INDIA.
QUEEN VICTORIA
MAHATMA GANDHI
PANDIT NEHRU
JANUARY, 1 1877 - QUEEN VICTORIA BECAME EMPRESS OF INDIA. THE YEARS THAT FOLLOWED WERE OFTEN MARKED BY STRIFE BETWEEN THE INDIANS AND THEIR BRITISH RULERS. THE FIGHT FOR INDIAN INDEPENDENCE GOES ON TODAY, LED BY TWO OF INDIA'S FOREMOST MEN—MAHATMA GANDHI AND PANDIT NEHRU.

IS IT TRUE ?

BY NATALIE PURVIN PRAGER
ORIGINATOR OF THE MARCH OF GAMES RADIO QUIZ

Can YOU answer these Questions?

CHECK "YES" IF TRUE, OR "NO" UNDER EACH PICTURE. DON'T LOOK NOW, BUT THE CORRECT ANSWERS ARE ON PAGE 66. SEE IF YOU CAN STICK YOUR FRIENDS, AND MOTHER AND DAD ON THEM!

1 IS IT TRUE THAT A PARKA IS AN ARTICLE OF CLOTHING WORN BY AN ESKIMO?
YES ☐ NO ☐

2 IS IT TRUE THAT THE INDIAN WORD FOR MAIZE IS CORN?
YES ☐ NO ☐

3 IS IT TRUE THAT AN OWL CAN SEE ONLY AT NIGHT?
YES ☐ NO ☐

4 IS IT TRUE THAT A MALE DEER SHEDS ITS HORNS ANNUALLY?
YES ☐ NO ☐

6 IS IT TRUE THAT THOMAS JEFFERSON WAS THE FIRST SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY OF THE UNITED STATES?
YES ☐ NO ☐

5 IS IT TRUE THAT THIS TYPE OF CHINAWARE IS CALLED DELPHINIUM?
YES ☐ NO ☐

7 IS IT TRUE THAT AN APHID IS A MEMBER OF THE APE FAMILY?
YES ☐ NO ☐

8 IS IT TRUE THAT A MAGGOT IS A PIECE OF METAL WHICH ATTRACTS IRON?
YES ☐ NO ☐

9 IS IT TRUE THAT IN MEXICO, A FIESTA IS AN AFTERNOON NAP?
YES ☐ NO ☐

10 IS IT TRUE THAT A TANKARD IS A BOAT WHICH IS USED TO TRANSPORT OIL?
YES ☐ NO ☐

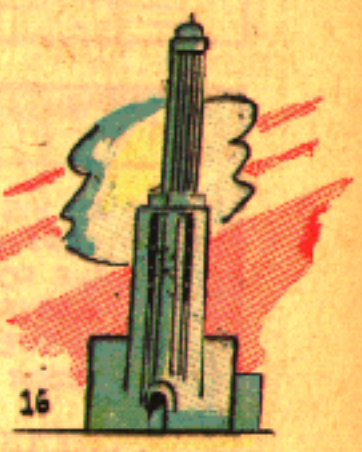
11 IS IT TRUE THAT A MALE DUCK IS CALLED A DRAKE?
YES ☐ NO ☐

12 IS IT TRUE THAT JOHN QUINCY ADAMS WAS THE SECOND PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES?
YES ☐ NO ☐

13 IS IT TRUE THAT A TAMBOURINE IS A KIND OF FRUIT?
YES ☐ NO ☐

14 IS IT TRUE THAT THIS VEGETABLE IS CALLED A STALLION?
YES ☐ NO ☐

15 IS IT TRUE THAT A PENGUIN CANNOT FLY?
YES ☐ NO ☐



16 IS IT TRUE THAT THE ROCK OF GIBRALTAR IS HIGHER THAN THE EMPIRE STATE BUILDING?
YES ☐ NO ☐

17 IS IT TRUE THAT THIS TYPE OF CAMEL IS CALLED A DROMEDARY?
YES ☐ NO ☐

18 IS IT TRUE THAT PONCE DE LEON DISCOVERED THE FOUNTAIN OF YOUTH?
YES ☐ NO ☐

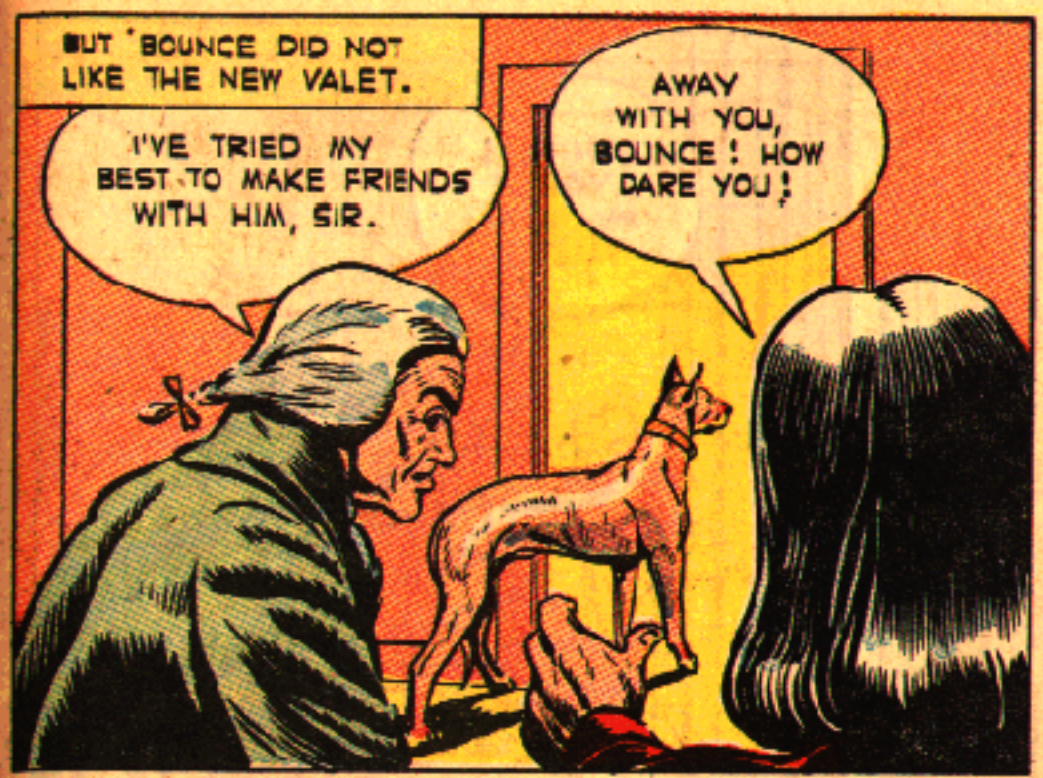
19 IS IT TRUE THAT A CANISTER IS A MACHINE USED FOR CANNING FOOD?
YES ☐ NO ☐

20 IS IT TRUE THAT HARRY JAMES, THE BAND LEADER, IS KNOWN FOR HIS CORNET PLAYING?
YES ☐ NO ☐

BOUNCE

THE DOG WHOSE TRUE INSTINCT WAS HIS MASTER'S PROTECTION

IN THE TIME OF GEORGE II OF ENGLAND, ALEXANDER POPE, THE POET, OWNED BOUNCE, A GREAT DANE.


BUT BOUNCE DID NOT LIKE THE NEW VALET.
I'VE TRIED MY BEST TO MAKE FRIENDS WITH HIM, SIR.
AWAY WITH YOU, BOUNCE! HOW DARE YOU!

THAT NIGHT...
WILL YOUR DOG ATTACK ME, SIR, WHEN I COME TO WAKEN YOU IN THE MORNING?
I'LL ATTEND TO THAT NOW. OUT OF THE HOUSE, BOUNCE. OUT! I SAY!
G-R-R-R

AT MIDNIGHT, POPE WAS AWAKENED BY A SLIGHT SOUND.
WHAT?

HELP! HELP!
G-R-R-R-R-R-R-R!

DING DONG
WHY DOESN'T MY VALET COME FROM THE ANTEROOM?
WHAT !! YOU !! MY NEW VALET ?
GRRR!
I MEANT YOU NO BODILY HARM, SIR. THE KNIFE WAS MEANT TO FRIGHTEN YOU !
THE PRINCE OF WALES WANTS ONE OF YOUR PUPS, BOUNCE!
BOUNCE BECAME WELL-KNOWN THROUGHOUT ENGLAND.
AT THE ROYAL RESIDENCE...
YOUR HIGHNESS, ALEXANDER POPE HAS SENT YOU ONE OF BOUNCE'S PUPS.
LISTEN TO WHAT POPE WROTE ON HIS COLLAR: "I AM HIS HIGHNESS' DOG AT KEW, PRAY TELL ME, SIR, WHOSE DOG ARE YOU?"

TRUE'S MOVIE GUIDE

Brief Reviews of Outstanding New Films

BELLS OF CAPISTRANO—With Gene Autry off to the Army Air Force you won't want to miss his final display of superb horsemanship in this film which has a rodeo background. Gene's at his singing best, too. (Rep.)

FLYING FORTRESS—This film has a wonderful climax when a flight of bombers blitz Berlin. You'll like, too, the thrilling scene when Richard Greene crawls out on the wing of his bomber to put out a fire. (Warner)

FOR ME AND MY GAL—There were grand songs composed during World War I and the whole nation sang them, not only in the camps but at community "sings," as they were called. This Judy Garland musical brings these songs back and with them a story of a girl's rise to vaudeville stardom and the two men who rose with her, one through helping her, the other by using her to realize his own ambition. They all get to France as entertainers and there the film interestingly re-creates the atmosphere of World War I. (MGM)

GEORGE WASHINGTON SLEPT HERE—Jack Benny has a most uncomfortable time when his wife (Ann Sheridan) buys a 200-year-old country house which is about to fall down. They spend a whole summer fixing it up and then almost lose it to a grasping neighbor. Of course it's the gags that make the picture with Jack falling through holes in the floor, the ought-to-be-spanked nephew, optimistic Uncle Stanley and the hired man who comes in every few minutes with more bad news about the stock, the lack of water and other things which make huge dents in Jack's purse. (Warner)

Henry Aldrich types with the two finger system in Henry Aldrich, Editor

HENRY ALDRICH, EDITOR—Most any other boy could edit a school paper and not get into trouble with the police, but not Henry Aldrich. Henry is always innocent, too, which makes one wish he'd have a streak of good luck for a change. But then, where would we get our laughs if Mrs. Aldrich's boy became sensible? (Para.)

Autry says so-long to heroines, big hats, kerchiefs—he's in the Army now! We hope he won't stop singing

KING OF THE STALLIONS—This fast-action film has wild horses, real Indian actors, breath-taking scenery and a lot of trained animals, including a raven and a family of skunks. The story includes interesting Indian lore, too. It's good! (Mono.)

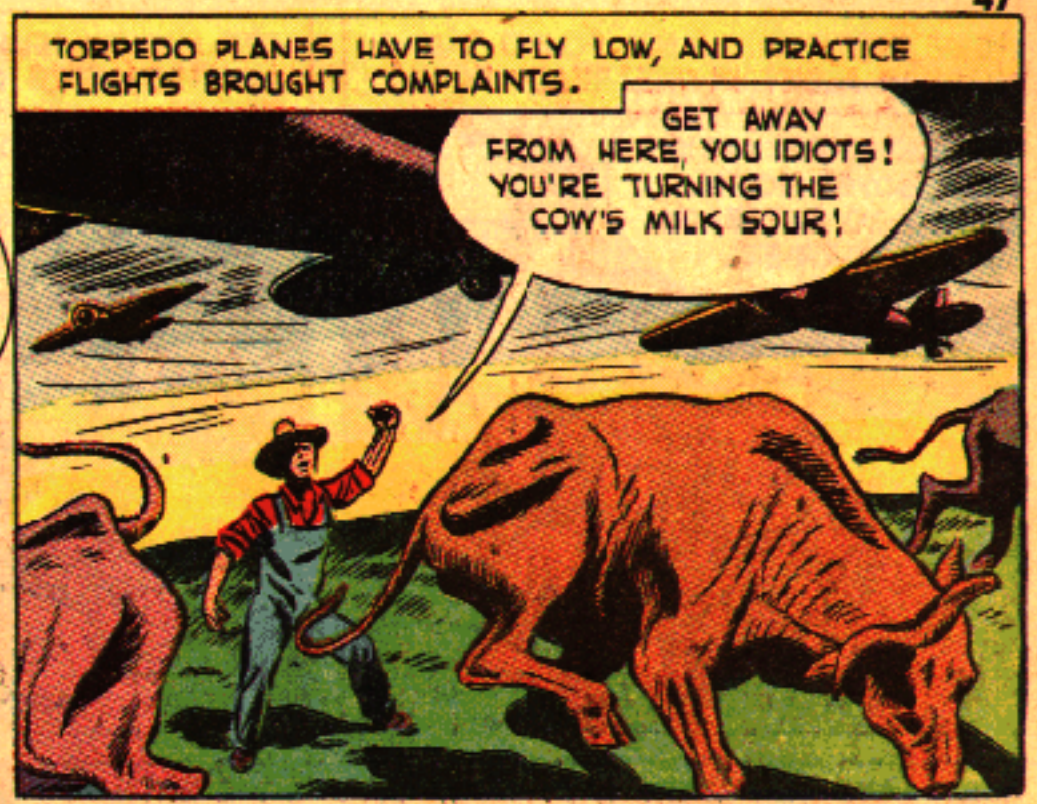
ROAD TO MOROCCO, THE—Bing Crosby and Bob Hope gallop through this one at the rate of a laugh a second. When the laughs have to slow up now and then to tell the film's wacky story, Bing and Bob start making fun of the plot and the gags are off again. You probably never saw the type of film this one pokes fun at, about a desert Sheik running off with a beautiful maiden, but since the girl is Dorothy Lamour, Bing and Bob trudge across the desert sands to rescue her. There they use Hitler's "divide and conquer" methods to set the Arabs at each other's throats so Dorothy can escape. You won't find a funnier film. (Para.)

SHADOWS ON THE SAGE—The Three Mesquiteers with Bob Steele heading the troupe in a story of a sheriff and a desperado who look enough alike to be taken for each other. (Rep.)

SHERLOCK HOLMES FIGHTS BACK—As if the War weren't enough to engage his deductive powers, up pops Holmes' old enemy Dr. Moriarity in this film to threaten the great detective's life and challenge his skill. Basil Rathbone as Holmes and Nigel Bruce as Dr. Watson are about perfect. (Univ.)

ONE CAME BACK

EQUIPMENT AND AMMUNITION TRICKLED IN SLOWLY — AMERICAN FACTORIES HADN'T YET REACHED PRESENT PRODUCTION RATES.
SAME STORY, SIR. TWO BAD ENGINES— NO SPARES. NOT ENOUGH BULLETS FOR MACHINE GUN PRACTICE.
I KNOW, RAY. BUT WE'VE GOT TO MAKE THE BEST OF THINGS.


TORPEDO PLANES HAVE TO FLY LOW, AND PRACTICE FLIGHTS BROUGHT COMPLAINTS.
GET AWAY FROM HERE, YOU IDIOTS! YOU'RE TURNING THE COW'S MILK SOUR!

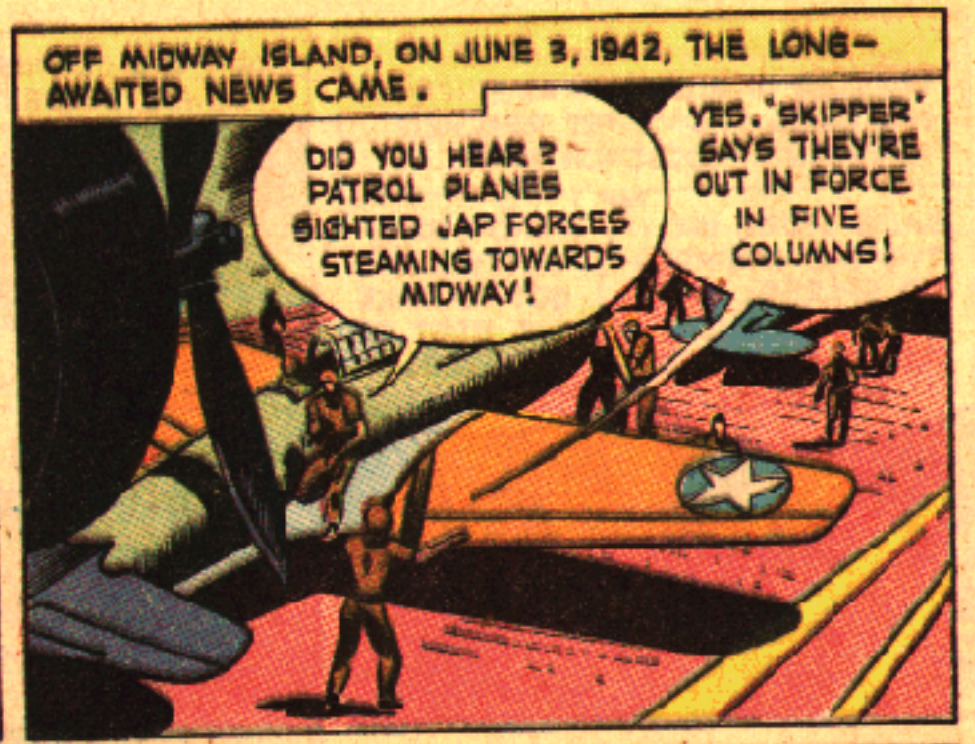
I'M ABOUT FED UP! OF ALL THE THANKLESS JOBS!
HENCEFORTH YOU WILL AVOID DAIRY FARMS IN MAKING PRACTICE TORPEDO RUNS.

BUT WHENEVER HIS BOYS' SPIRIT LAGGED, "SKIPPER" WALDRON'S WIFE HAD A SPEEDY CURE
THAT WAS A SWELL IDEA, DEAR, PLANNING THIS DANCE FOR MY BOYS.
IT'LL HELP THEM RELAX FOR A WHILE.

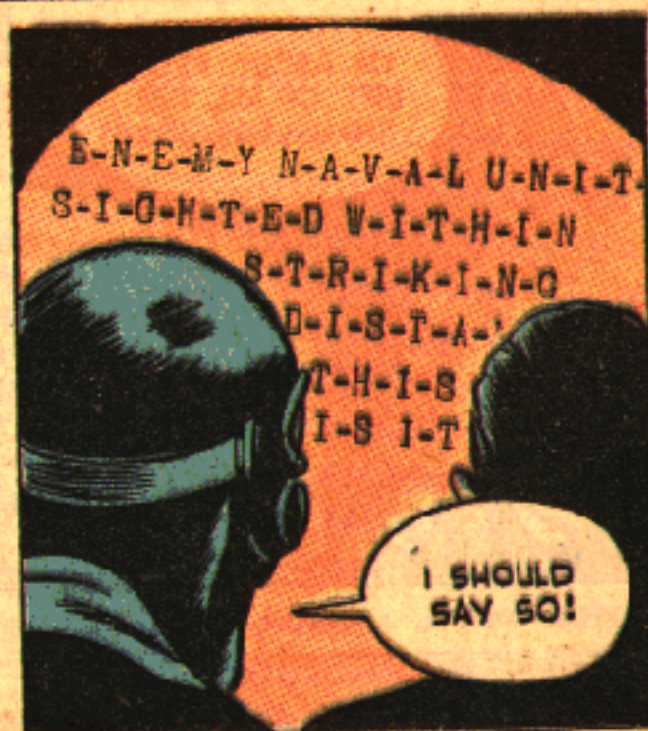
AFTER PEARL HARBOR, TRAINING WAS SPEEDED!
CLOSE, ABBIE, BUT NOT GOOD ENOUGH! RETURN TO BASE, RE-LOAD AND TRY AGAIN. MISSES DON'T COUNT IN BATTLE!

AFTER LONG MONTHS OF TRAINING, TORPEDO SQUADRON 8 SAILED FOR THE PACIFIC WAR ZONE.
WE'RE OFF TO TOKYO, FELLOWS!
NO MORE PRACTICE! THIS WILL BE THE REAL THING!

EVERY DAWN AND DUSK FOUND THE SQUADRON ALERT IN THE "READY ROOM."
GET THAT INFORMATION RIGHT, BOYS! YOU'LL NEED IT TO GET BACK TO THE CARRIER.


OFF MIDWAY ISLAND, ON JUNE 3, 1942, THE LONG-AWAITED NEWS CAME.
DID YOU HEAR? PATROL PLANES SIGHTED JAP FORCES STEAMING TOWARDS MIDWAY!
YES. "SKIPPER" SAYS THEY'RE OUT IN FORCE IN FIVE COLUMNS!

THE PILOTS HAD THEIR LAST REST BEFORE THE BATTLE.
YOUR DEAL, JIMMY!
WHAT WILL IT BE? SWING OR CLASSICAL?
EITHER. I'M TOO BUSY MAKING THIS BOWL FOR MY WIFE TO TELL THE DIFFERENCE.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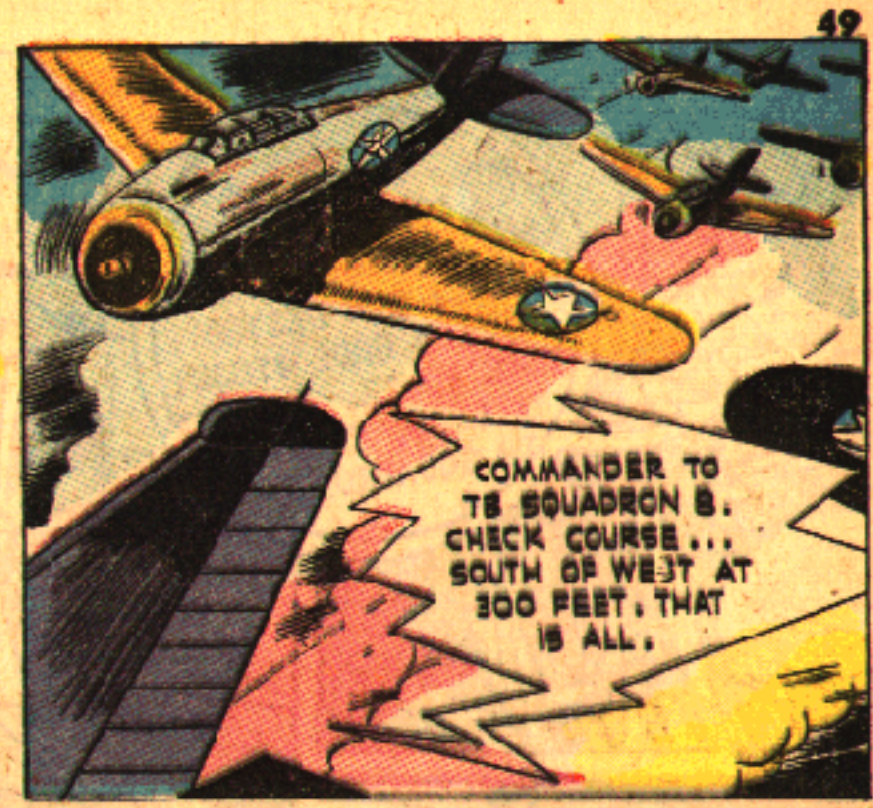
I SHOULD SAY SO!

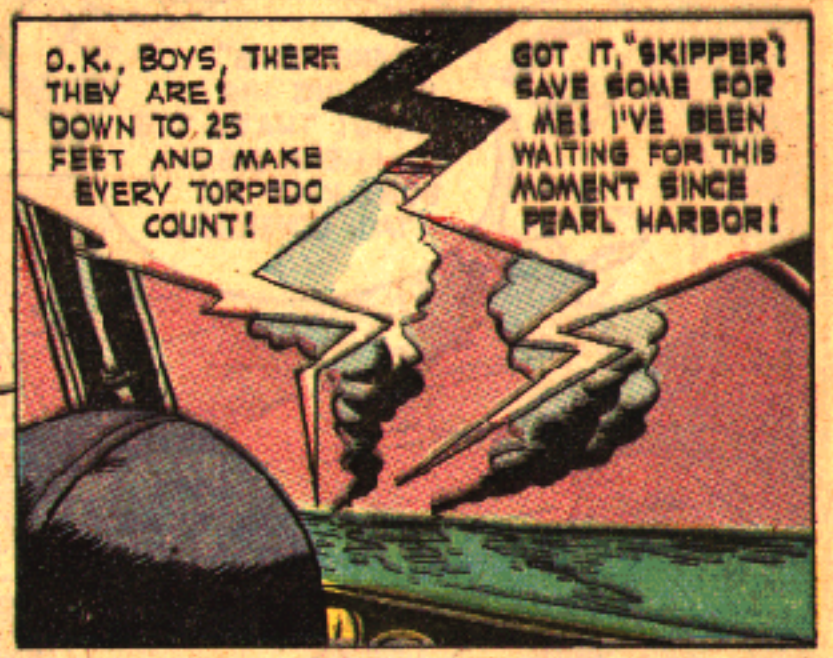
"SKIPPER" WALDRON ADDRESSED HIS MEN.
IF WORST COMES TO WORST, I WANT EACH OF US TO DO HIS UTMOST TO DESTROY OUR ENEMES. IF THERE IS ONLY ONE PLANE LEFT TO MAKE A FINAL RUN-IN, I WANT THAT MAN TO MAKE A HIT! MAY GOD BE WITH US ALL. GOOD LUCK, HAPPY LANDING, AND GIVE 'EM BLAZES!

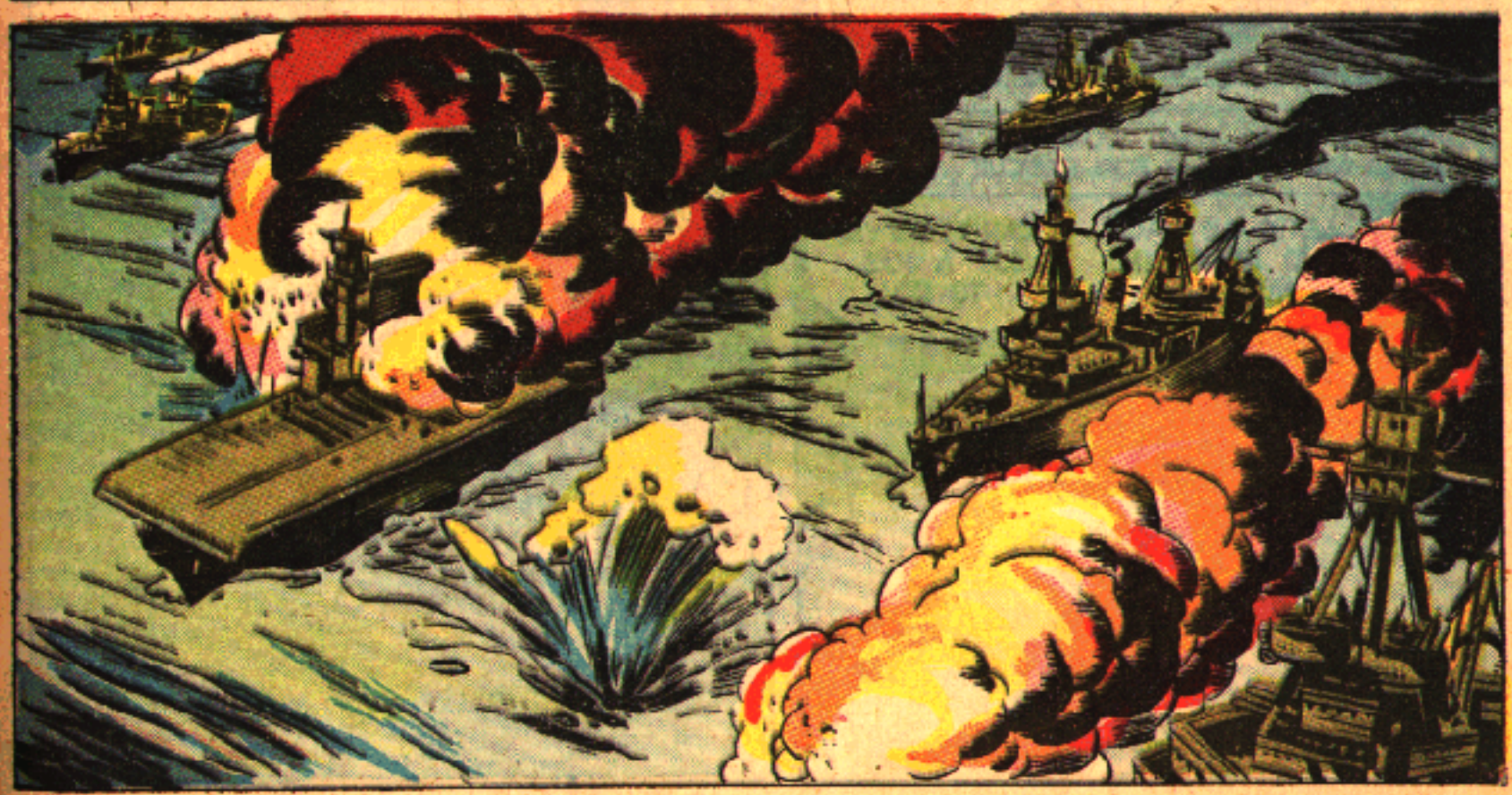
HEY! WE'VE GOT REAL ONES! NO MORE PRACTICE BLANKS!
THESE "PICKLES" WEIGH MORE, TOO! WATCH OUT TAKING OFF!

CARRYING THEIR DEADLY BURDENS, THE SQUADRON OF 15 PLANES TOOK OFF...

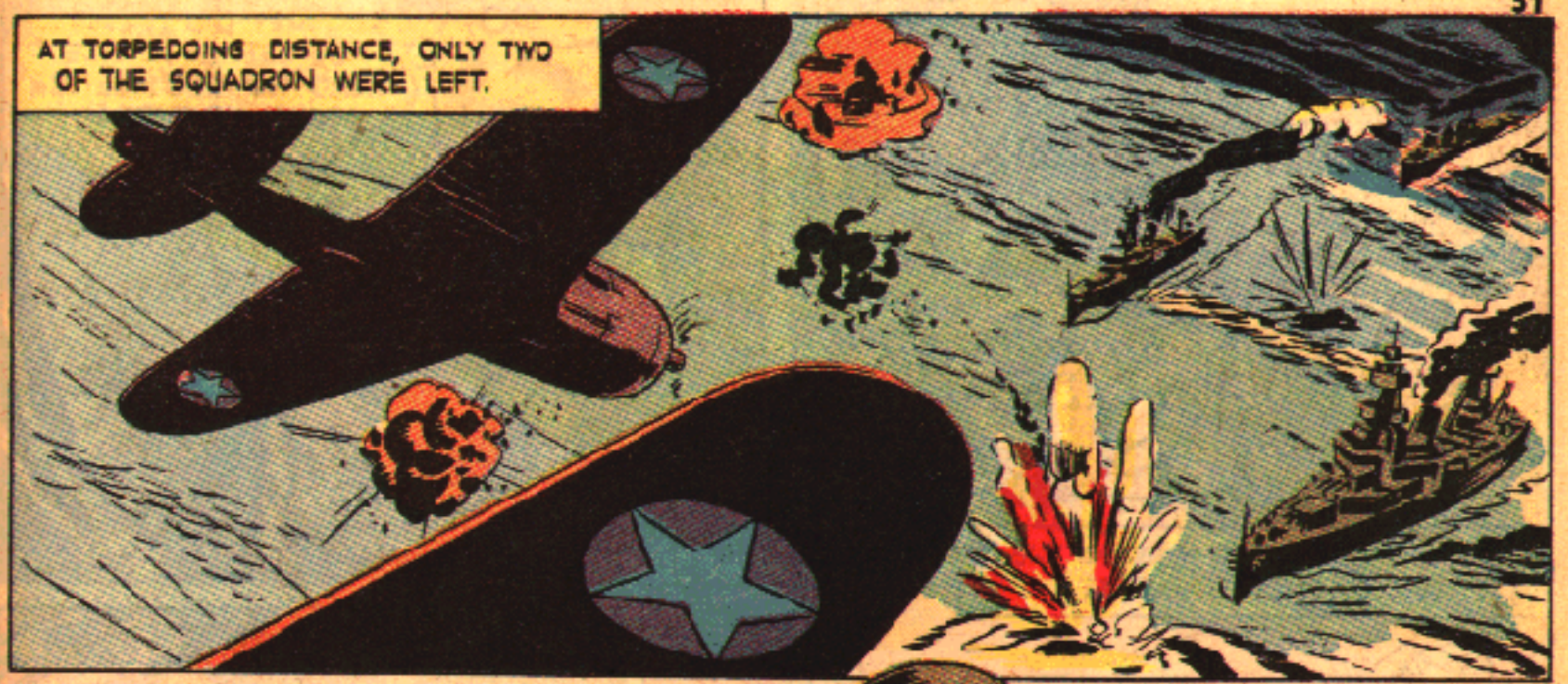

COMMANDER TO TB SQUADRON 8. CHECK COURSE... SOUTH OF WEST AT 300 FEET. THAT IS ALL.

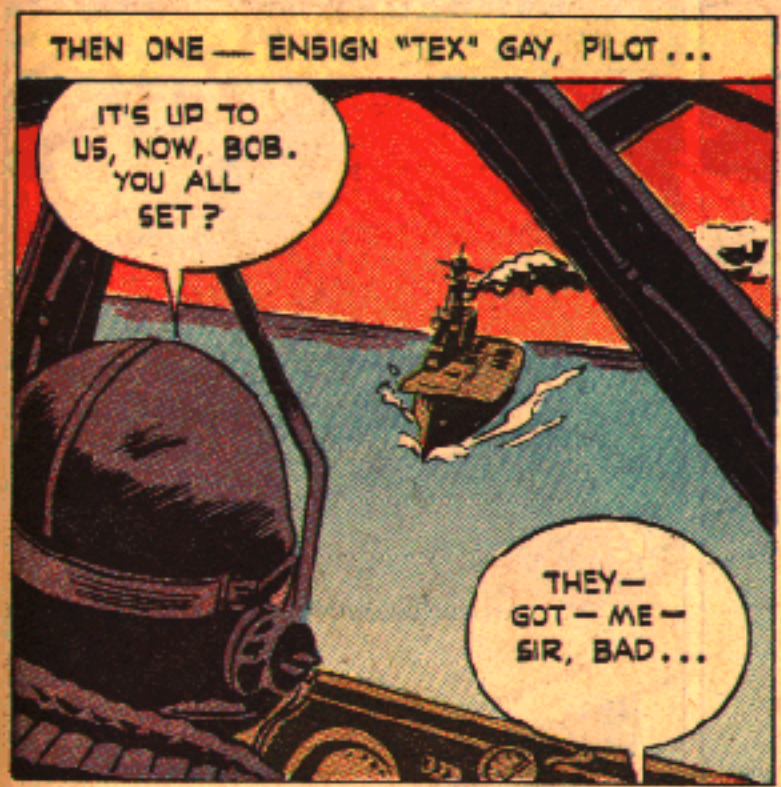
COMMANDER TO SQUADRON. THERE'S A JAP FIGHTER ON OUR TAIL GOING AWAY FAST. HE'S WARNING HIS FLEET. WE'LL HAVE A WARM WELCOME WAITING!


O.K., BOYS, THERE THEY ARE! DOWN TO 25 FEET AND MAKE EVERY TORPEDO COUNT!
GOT IT, "SKIPPER"! SAVE SOME FOR ME! I'VE BEEN WAITING FOR THIS MOMENT SINCE PEARL HARBOR!



ON AN AMERICAN CARRIER...
JAP FLEET CONTACTED. THR CARRIERS, SIX CR UISERS, TEN DESTROYE POSITION CODE 478321 TIME 10:12. ATTACKI WALDRON, COMMANDE TB SQUADRON 8
SQUADRON 8 ROARED ON TOWARDS THE JAP FLEET, INTO A STORM OF GUNFIRE!
"SKIPPER'S" WIGGLING HIS WINGS! THAT'S THE GO-AHEAD SIGNAL, BOB. KEEP MY TAIL COVERED!
RIGHT, MR. GAY. LET'S GIVE IT TO THEM!
THE JAPS CLAIMED THEIR FIRST VICTIM!
THEY GOT ONE OF OUR BOYS, COMMANDER!
I SAW! WE'LL PAY THEM BACK!
ANOTHER YANK WENT DOWN — BUT THERE WAS NO TIME FOR RESCUE...
LET'S GO BACK AND HELP HIM, MR. GAY!
CAN'T! WE'VE GOT A JOB TO DO!
THE "SKIPPER" WAS DOWNED!


AT TORPEDOING DISTANCE, ONLY TWO OF THE SQUADRON WERE LEFT.


THEN ONE — ENSIGN "TEX" GAY, PILOT...
IT'S UP TO US, NOW, BOB. YOU ALL SET?
THEY— GOT — ME — SIR, BAD...

"TEX" GAY REMEMBERED THE "SKIPPER'S" LAST INSTRUCTIONS...
POOR GUY... GUESS HE'S FINISHED.
"... IF ONLY ONE PLANE LEFT... WANT THAT MAN TO GO IN AND GET A HIT..." GOT TO KEEP PLANE ON COURSE... GOT TO GET A HIT!

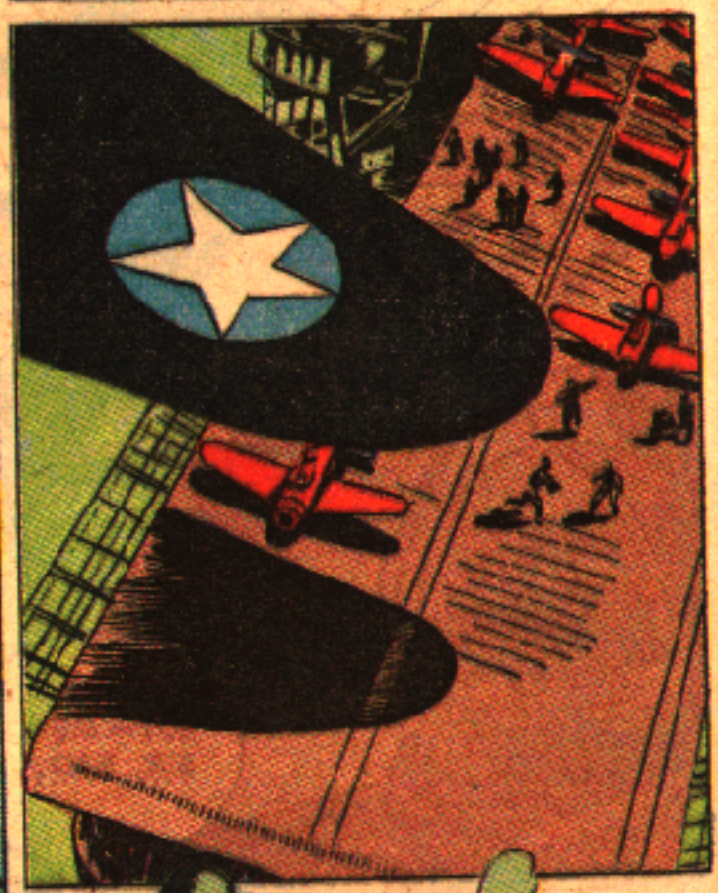
JAP BULLETS CRIPPLED GAY'S LEFT ARM.
MUST GET... BULLET OUT... PUT ON... TOURNIQUET...

THIS'LL PAY YOU GUYS OFF... IN PART... THE RELEASE DOESN'T WORK... HAVE TO USE THE EMERGENCY LEVER. OH-H-H, MY ARM... HAVE TO GET THAT SLUG OUT...
TORPEDO RELEASE.

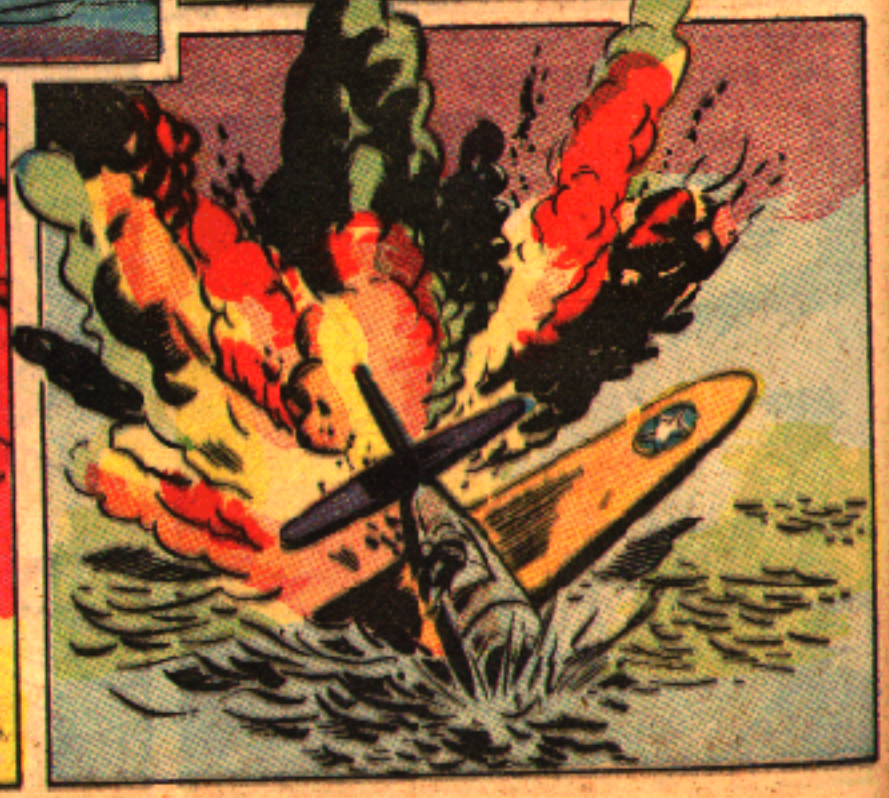
KEEP BULLET AS SOUVENIR... BEST PLACE...IS IN MOUTH... NOW FOR EMERGENCY RELEASE!

THAT DID IT... GO GET 'EM, LITTLE OLD TORPEDO! BETTER GET ALTITUDE!

"TEX" GAY ZOOMED UP, MISSING THE DECK OF THE JAP CARRIER BY ONLY TEN FEET!



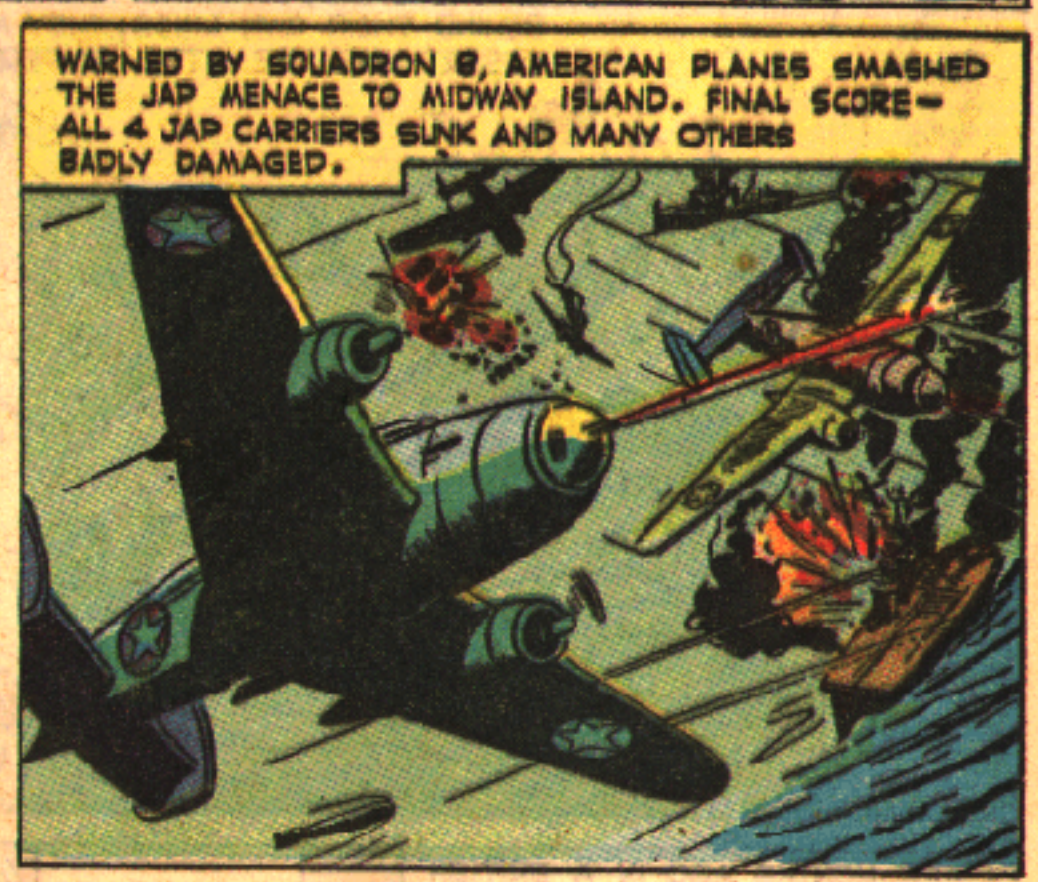
30 TO 1... THE ODDS AGAINST GAY FINALLY CAUGHT UP WITH HIM!



I HIT IT!

THESE BABIES ARE FAMOUS FOR GUNNING HELPLESS GUYS. HOPE THIS CUSHION COVERS ALL OF ME!

FOR THE NEXT TWENTY-FOUR HOURS, GAY HAD A "FISH-EYE" VIEW OF THE AMERICAN VICTORY.


WARNED BY SQUADRON 8, AMERICAN PLANES SMASHED THE JAP MENACE TO MIDWAY ISLAND. FINAL SCORE— ALL 4 JAP CARRIERS SUNK AND MANY OTHERS BADLY DAMAGED.

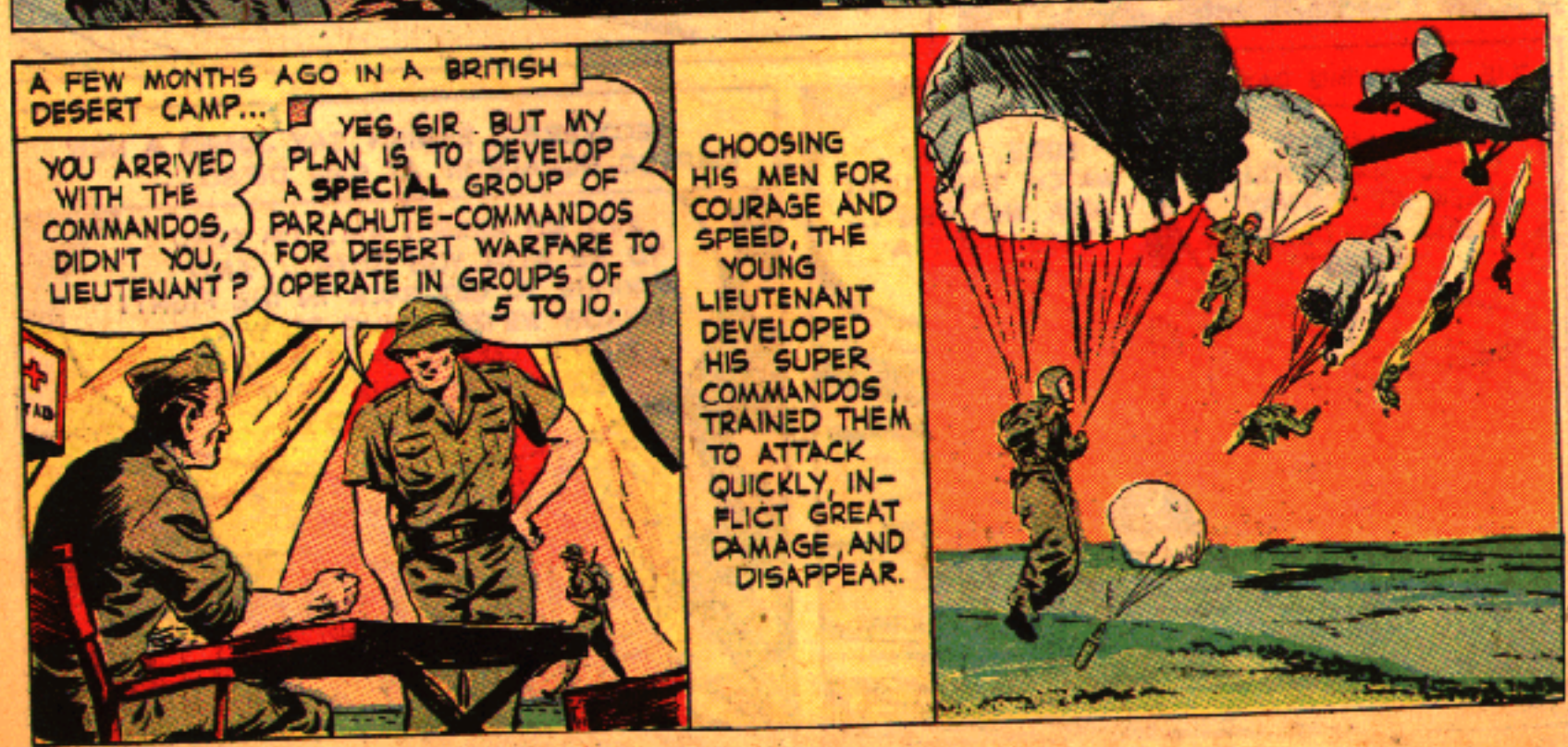
THE FOLLOWING DAY — RESCUE!
EASY, MISTER. WE'LL HAVE YOU BACK AT MIDWAY SOON. YOU DESERVE A REST!
SURE. JUST WATCH THAT LEFT ARM AND LEG... THEY HURT A LITTLE!

RECOVERED, ENSIGN GAY JONED A NEW TORPEDO SQUADRON AT SAN DIEGO...
AND SO HERE I AM. I'M GLAD TO BE WITH YOU GUYS... AND ANXIOUS TO GET BACK IN THE FIGHT! I KNOW WE'RE GOING TO WIN. DIDN'T THE SKIPPER ALWAYS SAY WE'RE "THE BEST IN THE WORLD"!

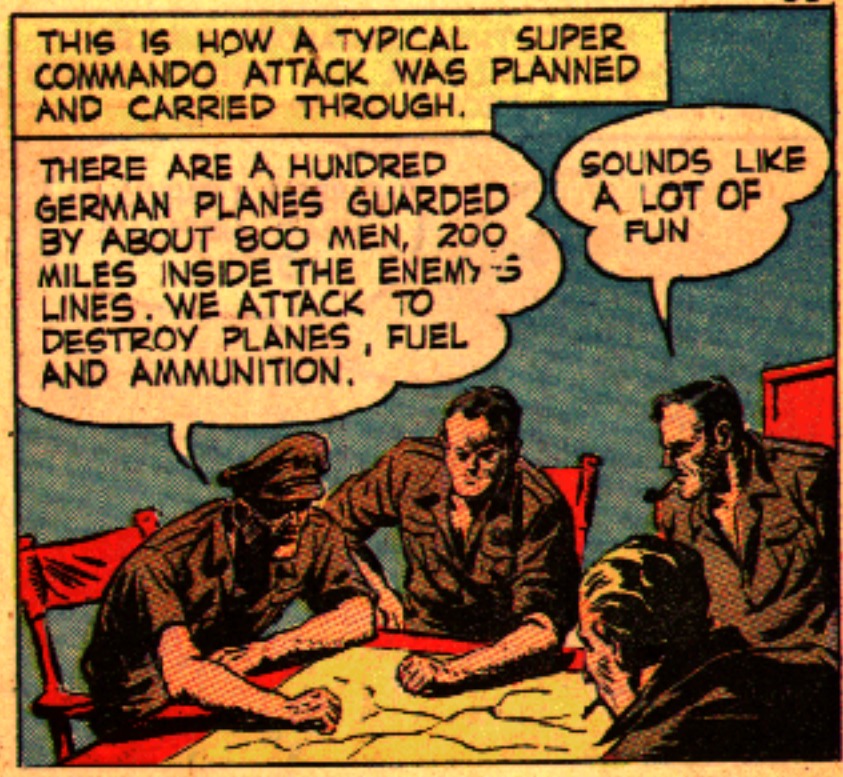
SUPER COMMANDOS

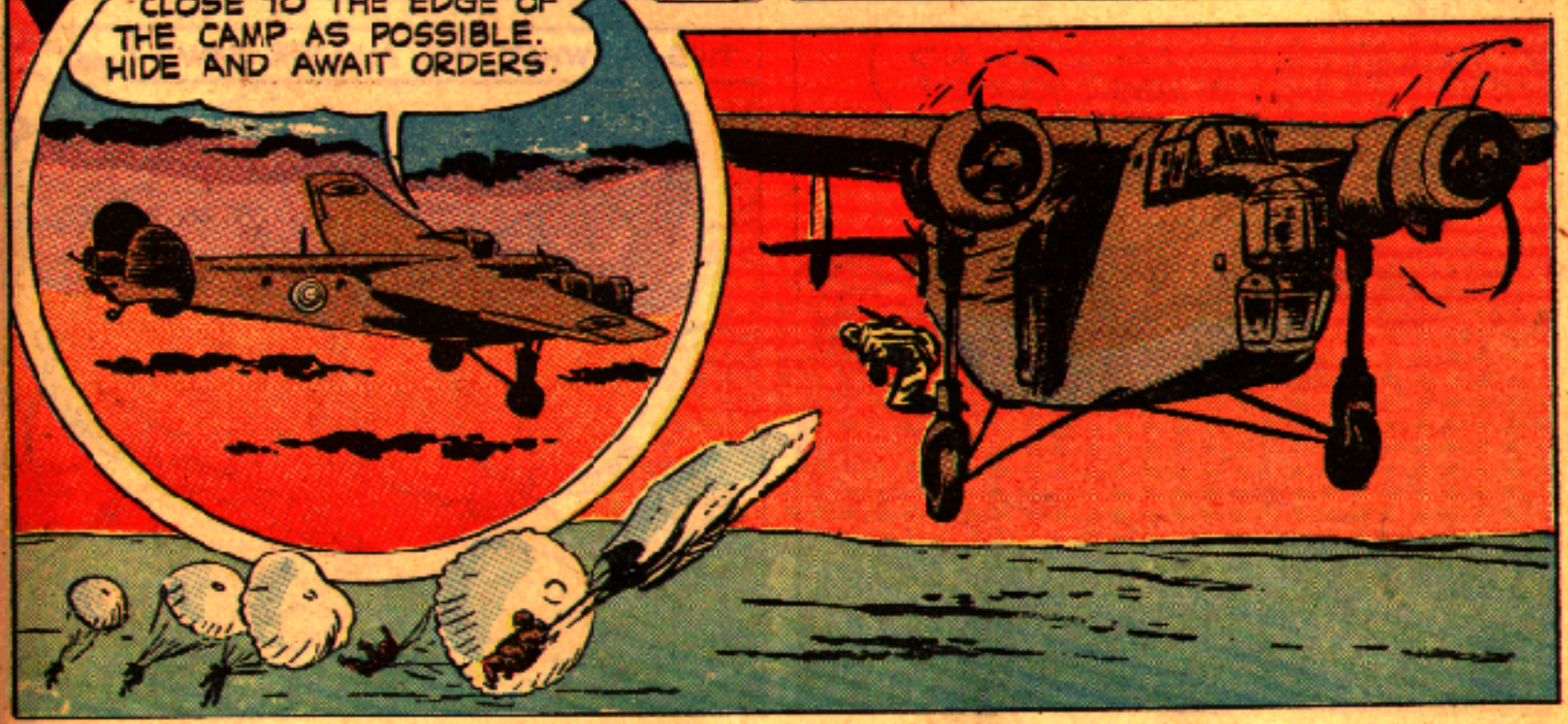
THE "FIGHTING FOOLS" OF THE DESERT

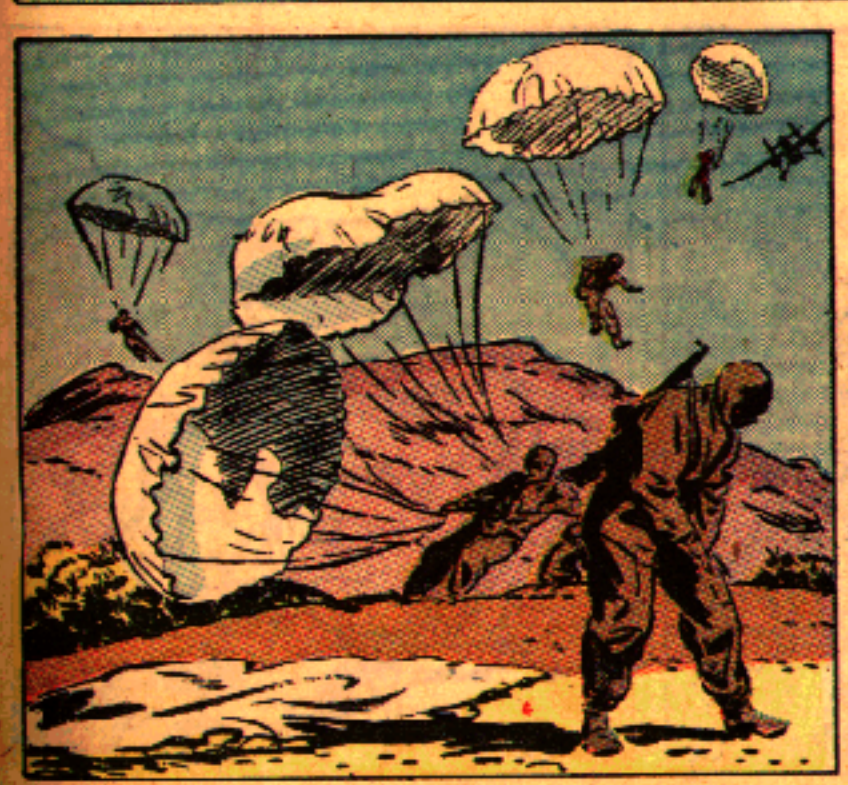
THEY LEAP UPON THE ENEMY FROM THE BLACKNESS OF THE DESERT NIGHT; THEY SWARM OUT OF THE SKIES, STABBING INTO NAZI ENCAMPMENTS FAR BEHIND THEIR OWN LINES; THEY ARE DAREDEVILS OF DESERT WARFARE — THE SUPER COMMANDOS!



THE FAME OF THE SUPER COMMANDOS SPREAD.
IMPOSSIBLE ! HOW COULD THESE BRITISH DEVILS ATTACK AND DESTROY OUR AMMUNITION DUMP- 600 MILES INSIDE OUR LINES!
BUT THEY'VE DONE IT, HERR COMMANDANT!


THIS IS HOW A TYPICAL SUPER COMMANDO ATTACK WAS PLANNED AND CARRIED THROUGH.
THERE ARE A HUNDRED GERMAN PLANES GUARDED BY ABOUT 800 MEN, 200 MILES INSIDE THE ENEMY'S LINES. WE ATTACK TO DESTROY PLANES, FUEL AND AMMUNITION.
SOUNDS LIKE A LOT OF FUN


PREPARE TO JUMP. WE'LL LAND AS CLOSE TO THE EDGE OF THE CAMP AS POSSIBLE. HIDE AND AWAIT ORDERS.



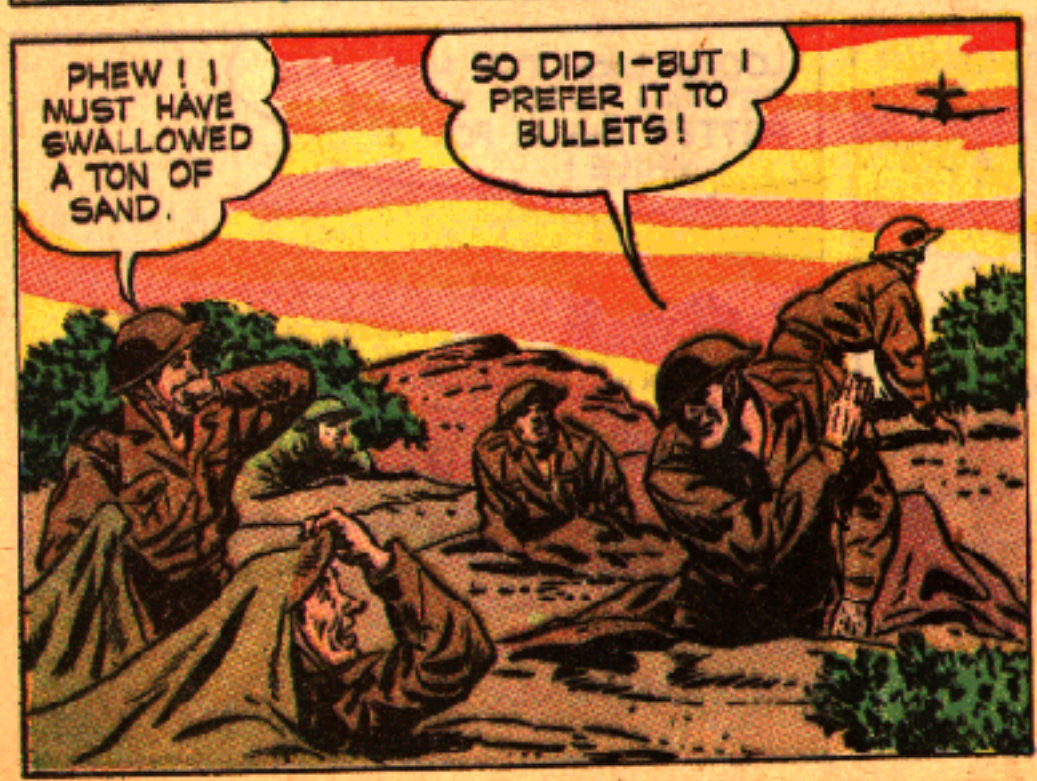
LOOKS LIKE THE NAZI ARE GETTING READY FOR US. BETTER DIG IN FOR A WHILE !

ALL THAT NIGHT, THE COMMANDOS WAITED FOR A CHANCE TO ENTER THE WELL-GUARDED CAMP. AS DAWN BROKE...
QUIET! I THINK I HEAR AIRPLANE MOTORS.

YOU WERE RIGHT, MAJOR!
IT'S AN ITALIAN PLANE—COMING THIS WAY.

WE'LL BE SEEN FROM THE AIR.
DIG HOLES, AND COVER YOURSELF WITH THOSE BURLAP BAGS. ON THE DOUBLE, NOW!

THIS IS WHAT THE AVIATOR SAW!

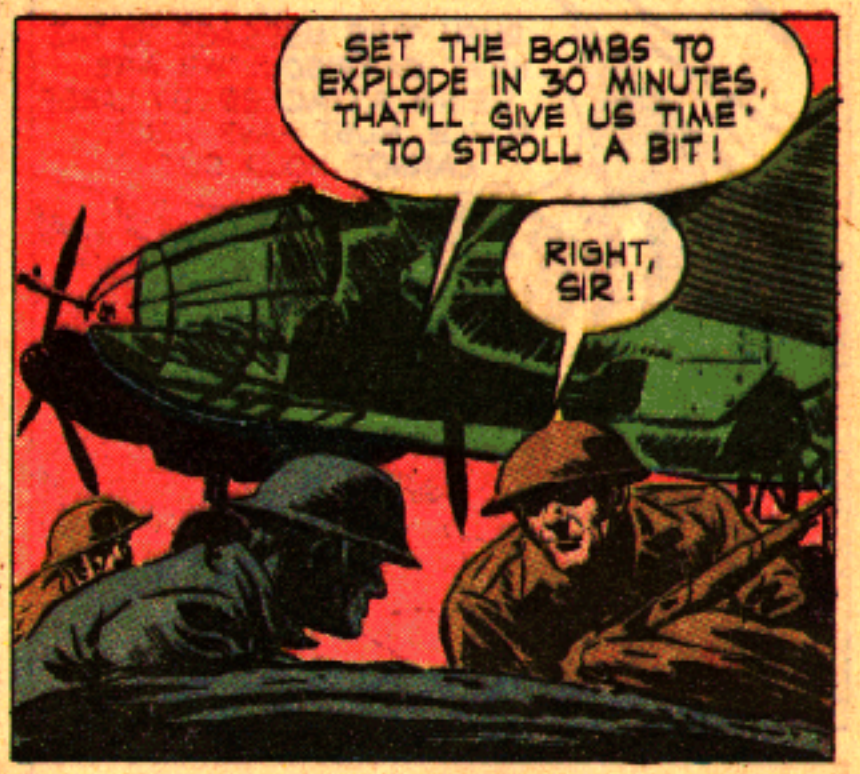

PHEW! I MUST HAVE SWALLOWED A TON OF SAND.
SO DID I—BUT I PREFER IT TO BULLETS!

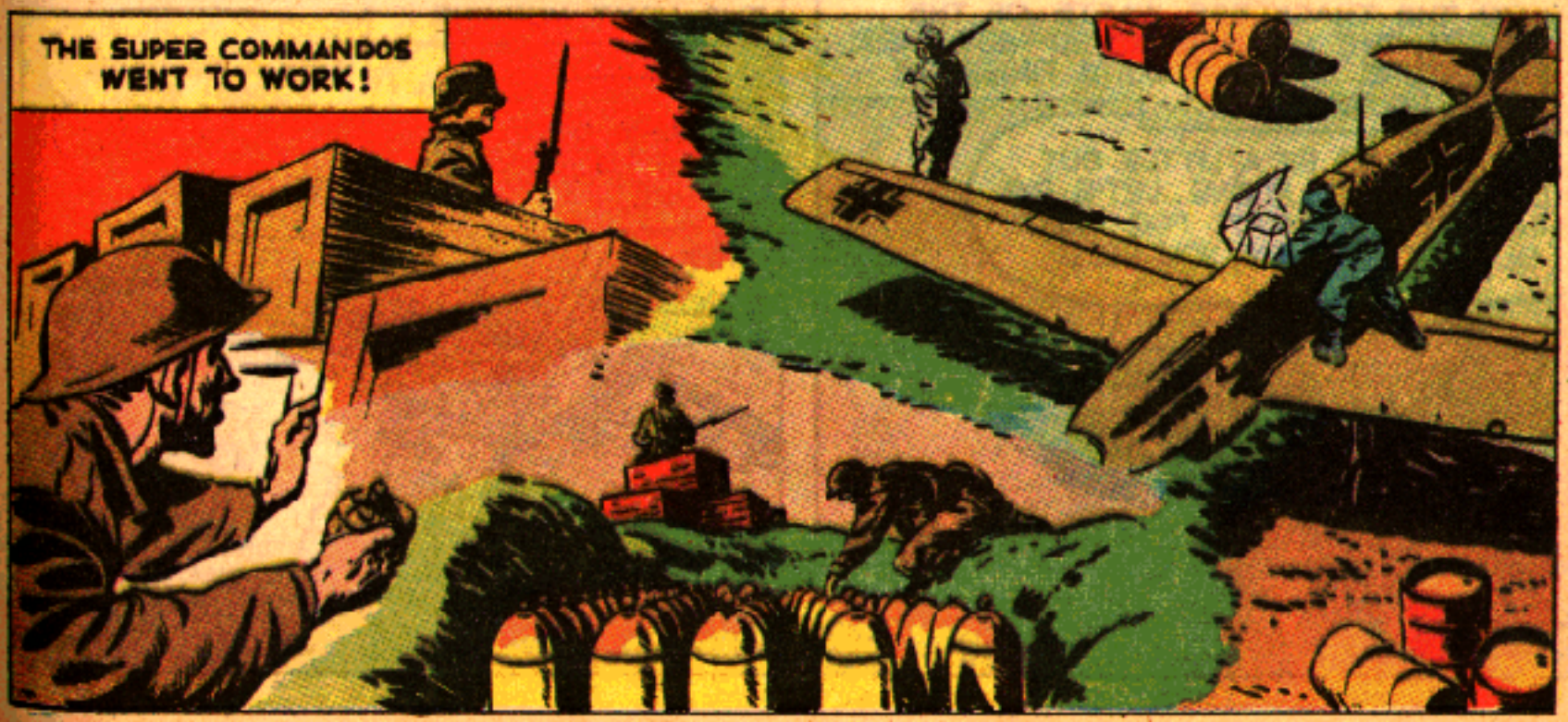
IT'LL BE DARK ENOUGH IN A COUPLE OF HOURS, MEN. INSPECT YOUR EQUIPMENT!

YOU EACH HAVE A DOZEN BOMBS. REMEMBER, IT'S A COMBINATION OF HIGH EXPLOSIVES WHICH BLOW UP, AND THERMITE WHICH SETS ON FIRE ANYTHING FROM CANVAS TO METAL. PUT THEM WHERE THEY'LL DO THE MOST DAMAGE.

IN THE NAZI CAMP...
BRITISH TROOPS WERE REPORTED IN THIS AREA. DOUBLE YOUR GUARD.
YES, HERR COMMANDANT. EVEN A MOUSE WOULD HAVE TROUBLE ENTERING OUR LINES!

MAKING LESS NOISE THAN "EVEN A MOUSE," THE SIX COMMANDOS CRAWLED INTO A HEAVILY GUARDED CAMP.


SET THE BOMBS TO EXPLODE IN 30 MINUTES. THAT'LL GIVE US TIME TO STROLL A BIT!
RIGHT, SIR!

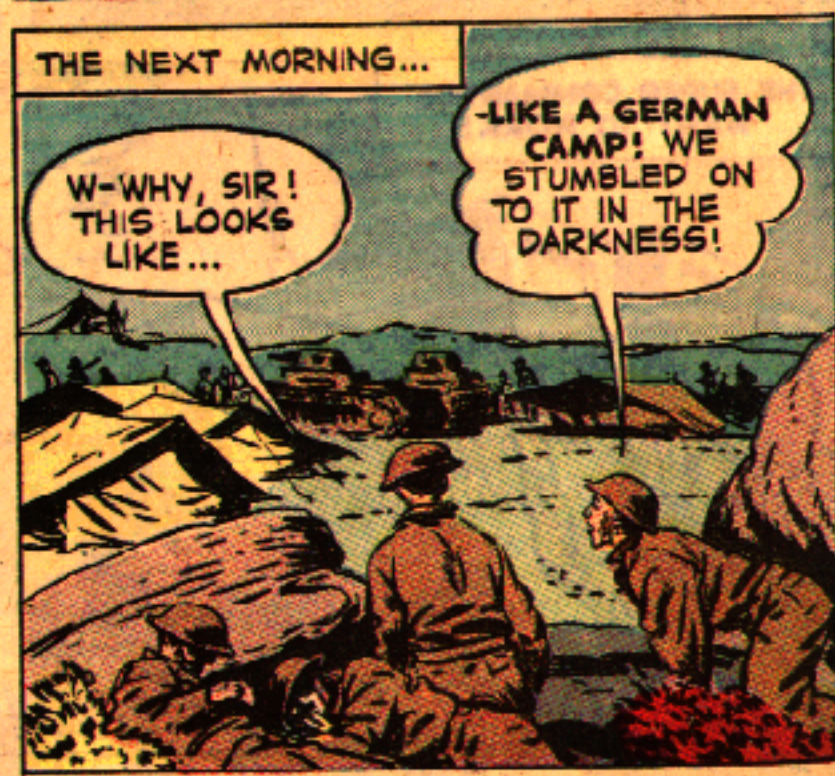

THE SUPER COMMANDOS WENT TO WORK!

30 MINUTES LATER !
WE ARE BEING ATTACKED !

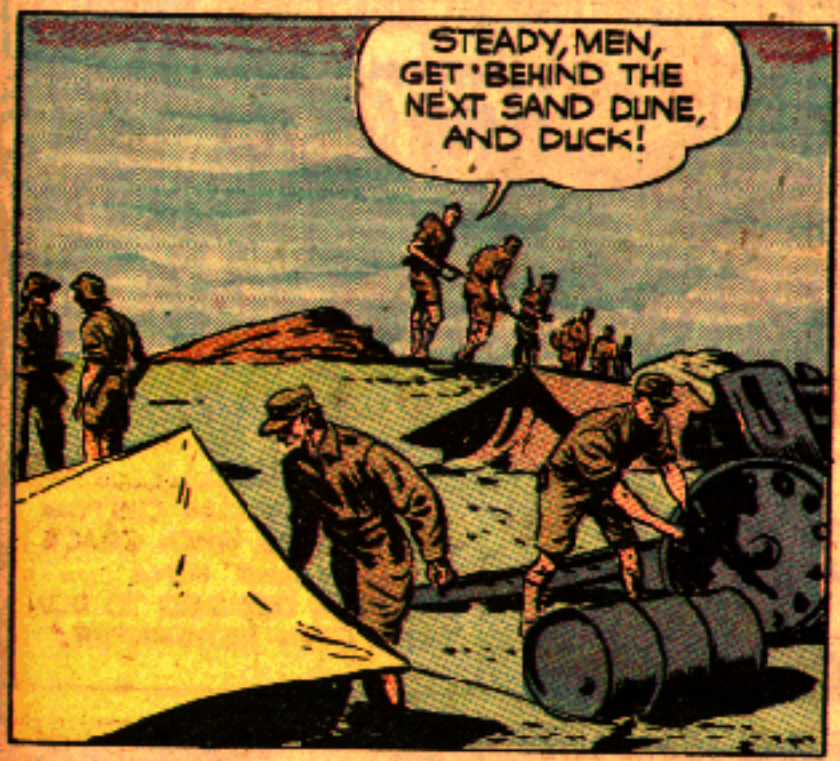
RUSH THIS MESSAGE TO THE NEXT GARRISON: "WE ARE BEING ATTACKED BY LARGE FORCE. MUST HAVE HELP. CANNOT HOLD OUT!"

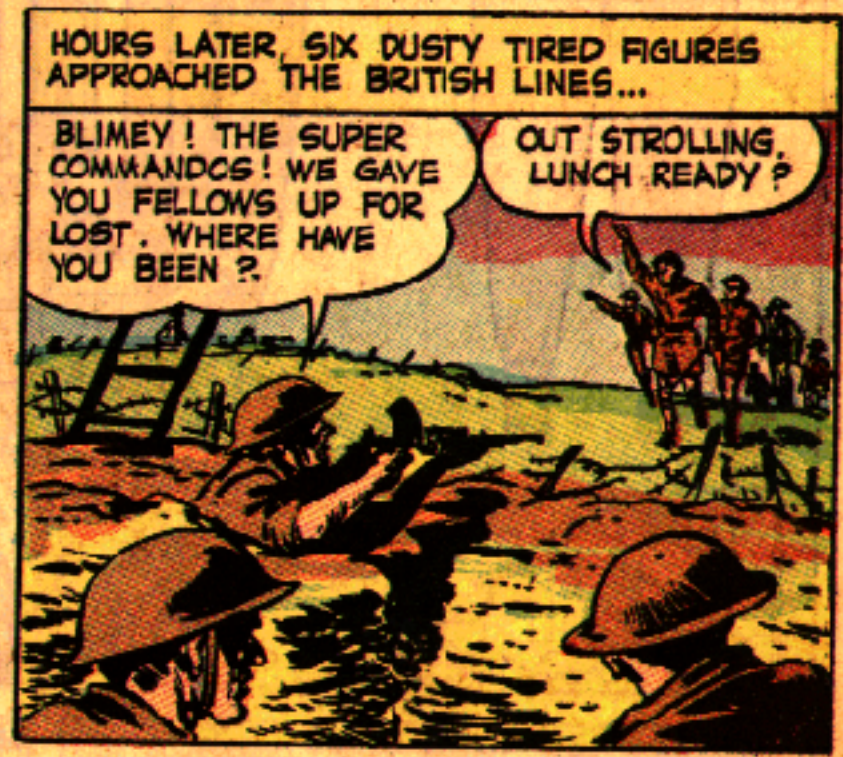
THAT'LL KEEP THE NAZIS BUSY FOR A WHILE. LET'S MOVE ALONG NOW. OUR TRUCKS WILL BE WAITING FOR US.

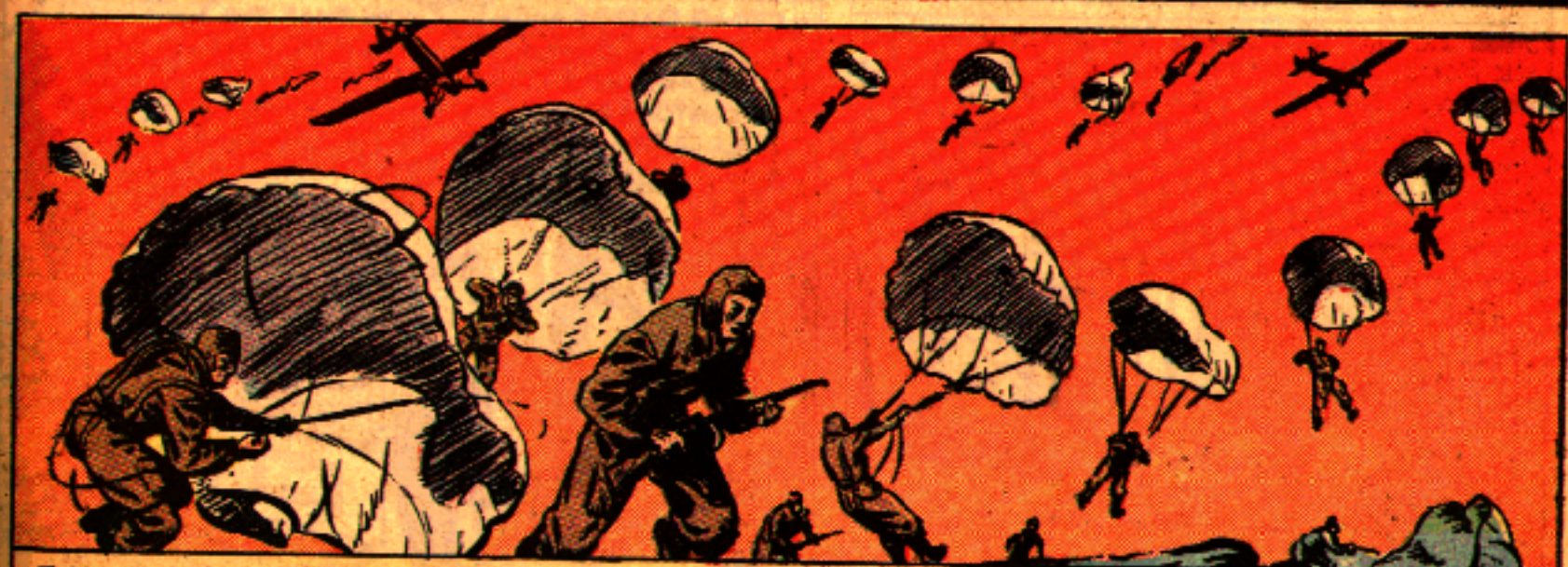
INTO THE TRACKLESS WASTE OF THE DESERT, THE SIX MEN MOVED—BUT THEIR ADVENTURE WAS NOT QUITE FINISHED ! THREE HOURS LATER...
WE SEEM TO BE A LITTLE OUT ON OUR CALCULATIONS. LET'S DIG IN HERE, AND WAIT FOR LIGHT SLEEP TIGHT, MEN, YOU NEED THE REST.


THE NEXT MORNING...
W-WHY, SIR! THIS LOOKS LIKE...
-LIKE A GERMAN CAMP! WE STUMBLED ON TO IT IN THE DARKNESS!

IN FULL VIEW OF THE GERMANS, THE SUPER COMMANDOS WALKED CALMLY OUT OF CAMP!







THE FAME OF THESE SUPER COMMANDOS HAS SPREAD. THEIR OBJECTIVE—TO SPREAD PANIC AND DESTROY VITAL ENEMY EQUIPMENT—HAS MADE THEM THE MOST FEARED UNIT IN DESERT WARFARE. THEY ARE MEN WHO HAVE TRULY LIVED UP TO THEIR MOTTO "WHO DARES, WINS!"

The "CLIPPER" GIRLS

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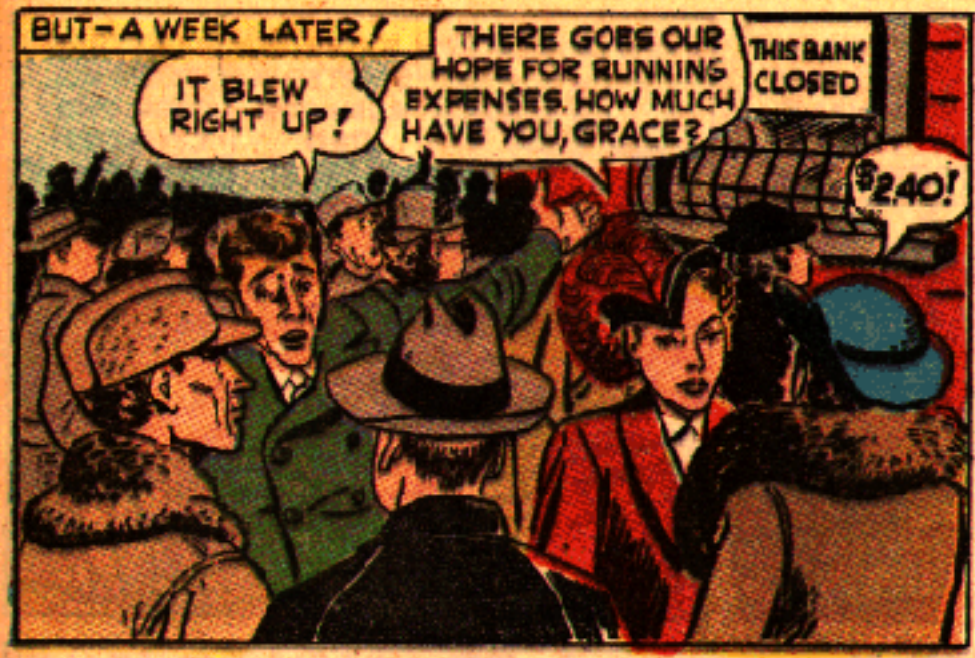

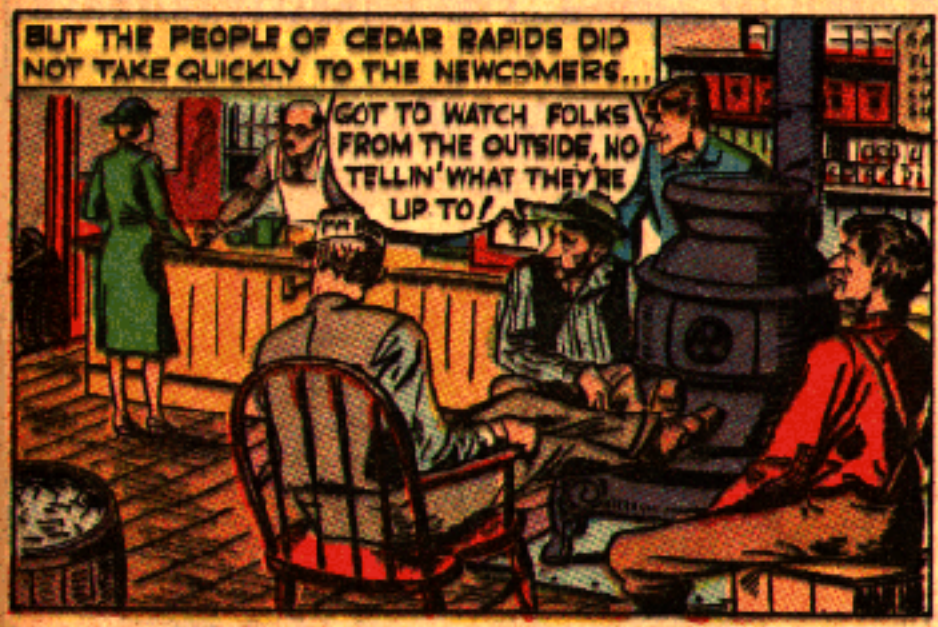

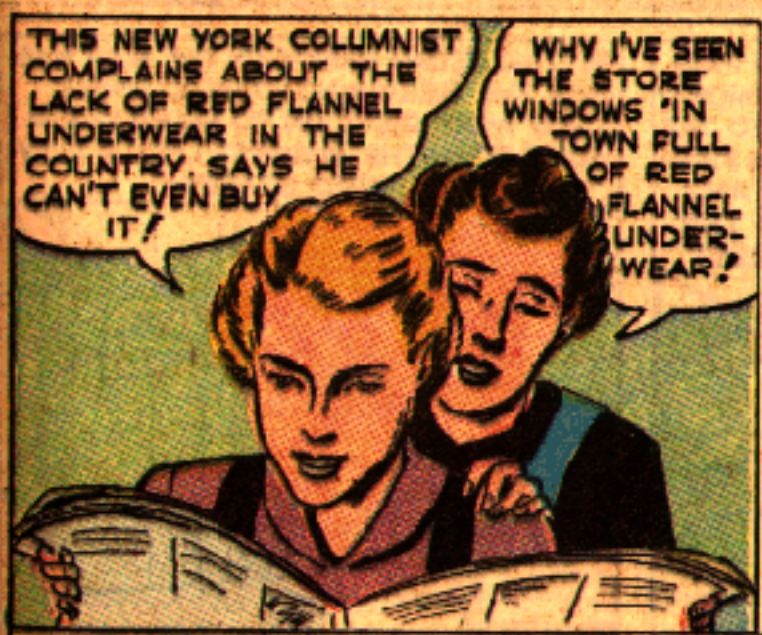

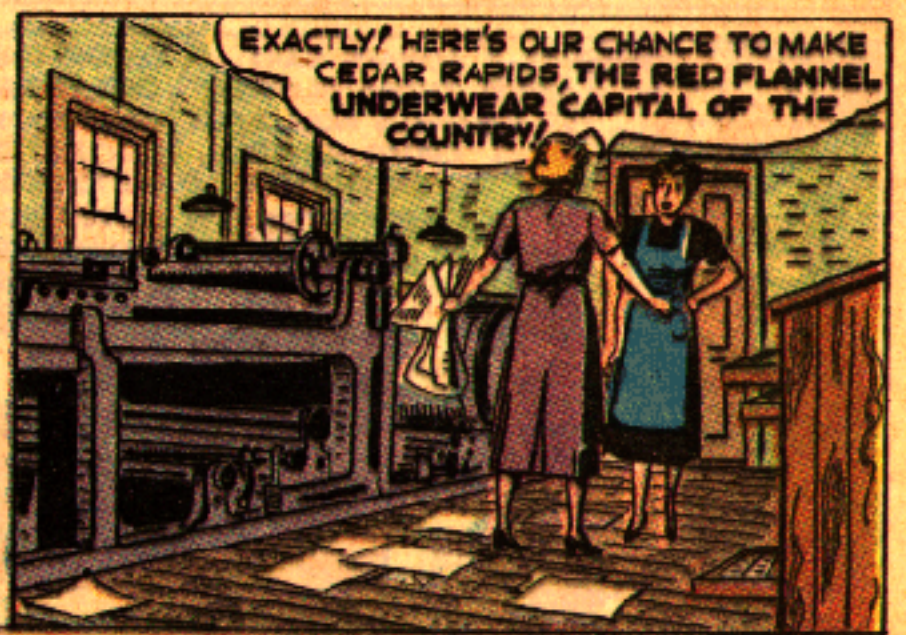

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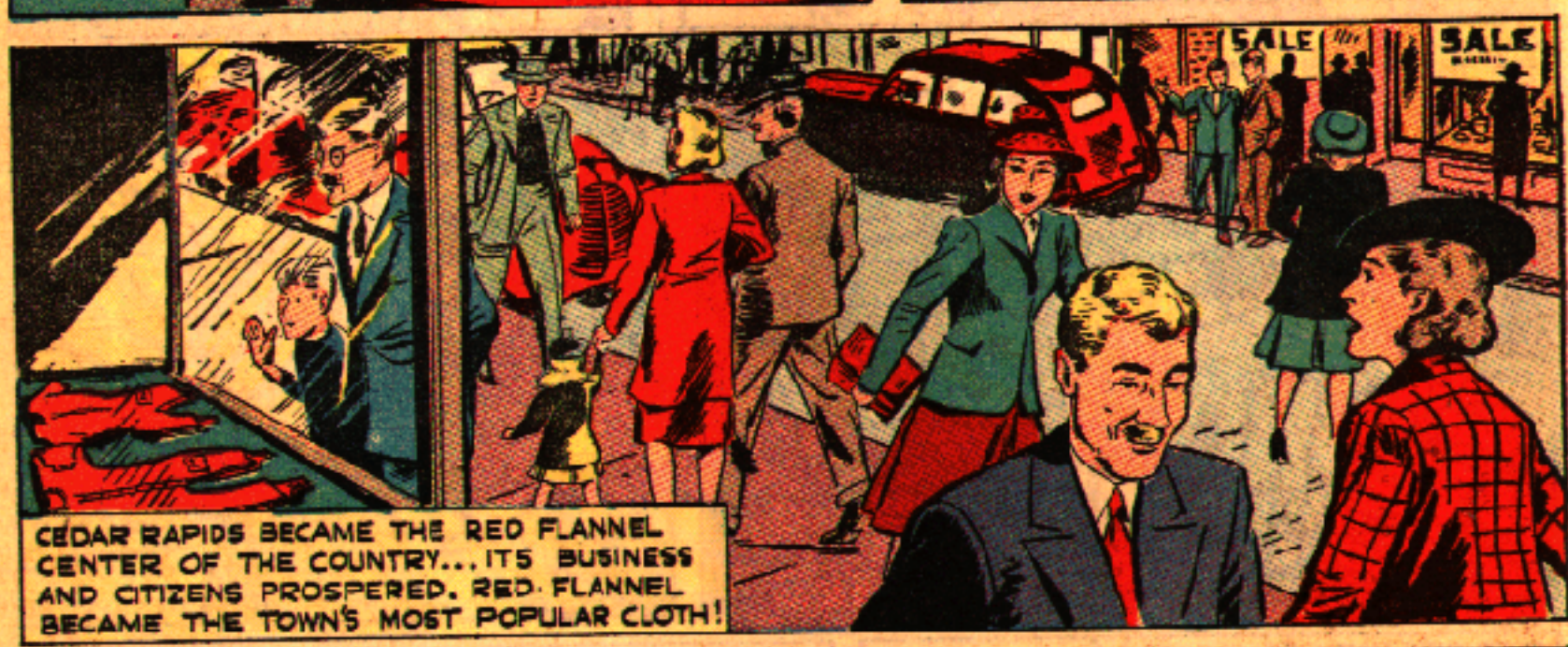

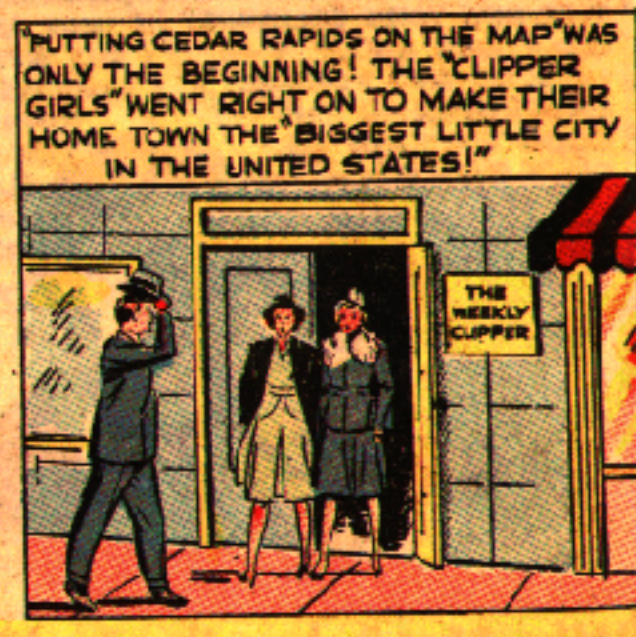

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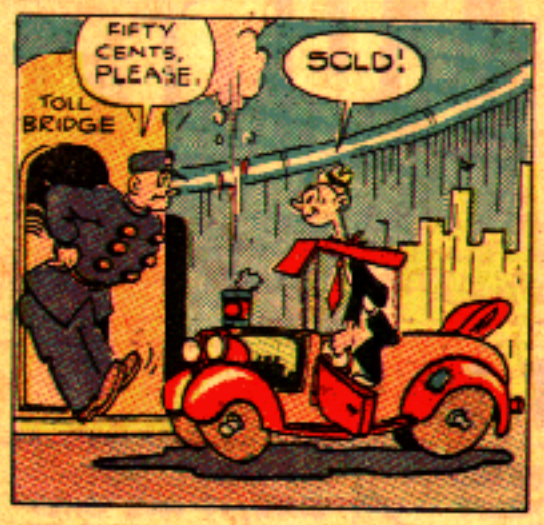


An old car drove up to a toll bridge. The gate man said: "Fifty cents, please." The driver replied: "Sold!"

Beverly Gaul, Chicago, Ill.

Mrs. Brown: That chicken you sold me yesterday must have been hatched in an incubator.

Butcher: How's that?

Mrs. Brown: No chicken that ever knew a mother's tender care could ever grow up as tough as that!

Rose Mary Brahm, Washington, D. C.

Diner: Waiter, this soup is sour!

Waiter: How do you know, you haven't even tasted it yet.

Diner: I know, because a little swallow told me!

Joan Groben, Metuchen, N. J.

Dad: Is there anything worse than to be old and bent?

Son: Oh yes, father—to be young and broke!

Marjorie L. Abrahams, Elmhurst, L. I.

"What in the world makes you call your dog Baseball?" Mrs. Green asked Johnny.

"Because he wears a muzzle, catches flies, chases fowls, and beats it home when he sees the catcher coming!" he replied.

Jean Goodwin, Islington, Mass.

Teacher: Tommy, why is your composition on milk only half a page long when I asked for two pages?

Tommy: Well you see, I wrote about condensed milk!

Laurine Bloye, St. Thomas, Ont.

Pullman passenger: Can I get on No. 204 train before it starts?

Porter: You'll have to madam!

Benjamin Stone, Houston, Tex.

The doctor smilingly entered the room where the patient was reclining in a chair. "Ah," he murmured, "I see you are looking very much better today." "Yes, doctor," the patient replied. "I have been following the instructions very carefully on that bottle of medicine you gave me." "Let's see now," said the doctor, thoughtfully, "what were they?" And in amazement he read: Keep the bottle well corked!

Ruth Thomson, Montreal, Quebec

Visitor: And what's your name, my good man?

Prisoner: 9668.

Visitor: But that's not your real name!

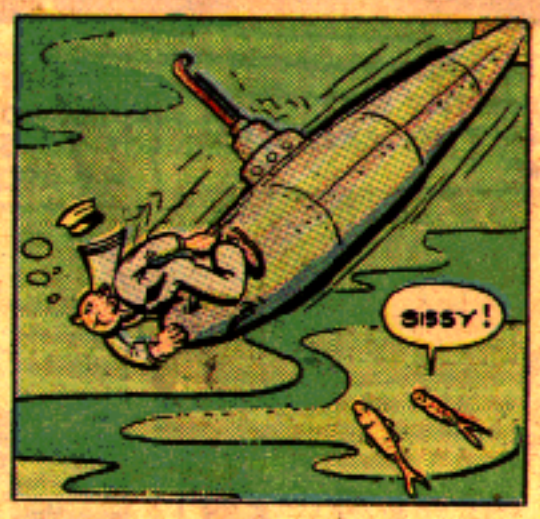
Prisoner: Naw, it's just my pen name!

Rosemary Rausch, Aurora, Ill.

Joe: Why the toothbrush on your lapel?

Jack: That's my class pin; I was graduated from Colgate!

Stanley Smith, Seattle, Wash.



Civilian: So you are working on a submarine. What do you do?

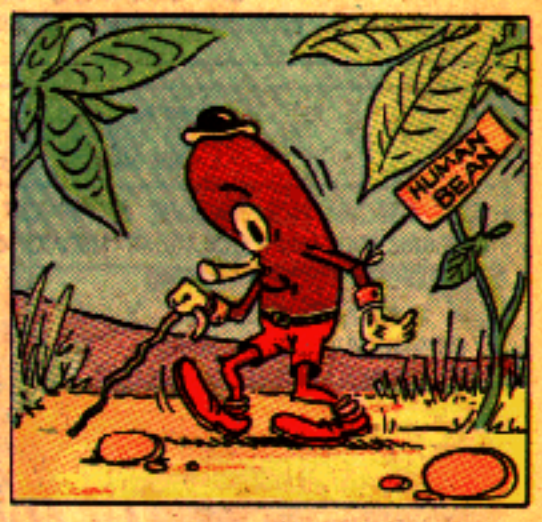
Sailor: Well, when we want to dive, I run forward and hold her nose!

Nellie Mae Thomas, Glen St. Mary, Fla.

History teacher: Now tell me, Mary, what ruler do you think commands the most respect?

Mary: I think the one you are holding in your hand!

Anna Ricci, Brooklyn, N. Y.



There was once a teacher who asked her class for sentences with the word, "bean."

One boy spoke up saying: "My father grows beans."

A young girl said: "My mother cooks beans."

Finally a little tot in the back row piped up saying: "We are all human beans!"

Paula Moskovitz, New York, N. Y.

Two patients were waiting in a doctor's office. In an effort to make conversation, one said: "I'm aching from neuritis."

The second patient said: "How do you do? I'm Thompson from Chicago!"

Elsie Heinecke, Utica, Mich.

"Mabel, you really ought to wear a hat when you go out riding."

"But Mother, I am wearing a hat; it's on the other side!"

Connie Caldwell, Buchanan, Va.

Johnny: What's worse than finding a worm in your apple?

Freddie: I don't know. I guess it would be finding two worms.

Johnny: Nope! Finding half a worm!

Marguerite Nail, Alberta, Can.

THE STORY OF CODES

IN OUR LAST ISSUE WE SPOKE OF "SECRET MESSAGES"- CODES USED BY ARMIES AND NAVIES IN TIME OF WAR. NOW WE TELL THE STORY OF TWO CODES THAT WERE USED IN ANCIENT SPARTA, AND IN 17TH CENTURY ENGLAND.

LYSANDER'S SECRET BELT

THE SLIDING PANEL

SIR JOHN TREVANION WAS THROWN INTO PRISON FOR AIDING THE ENEMIES OF THE KING DURING THE CIVIL WAR IN ENGLAND BETWEEN KING CHARLES I AND THE "ROUNDHEADS."

THIS WAS THE LETTER SIR JOHN RECEIVED:

Worthie Sir John:- Hope, that is the beste comfort of the afflicted, cannot much I feer me, help you now. That I would saye to you, is this only: If ever I may be able to requite that I do owe you, stand not upon asking me. 'Tis not much I can do: but what I can do, bee you verie sure I will. I know that if dethe comes, if ordinary men fear it, it frights not you, accounting it for a high honour, to have such a rewarde of your loyalty. Thay yet that you may be spared this so bitter cup. I fear not that you will grudge any sufferings; smile if bee submission you can turn them away. 'tis the part of a wise man. Tell me, as if you can, to do for you any thinge that you would have done. The general goes back on Wednesday. Redinge your servant to command.

R. T.

SIR JOHN TREVANION KNEW THAT THERE WAS A MESSAGE CONTAINED IN HIS FRIENDS LETTER – IF HE READ EVERY THIRD LETTER AFTER EACH PUNCTUATION MARK! THE CODE MESSAGE READ "PANEL AT EAST END OF CHAPEL SLIDES."

ANOTHER SECRET CODE

IN OUR LAST ISSUE WE SHOWED YOU HOW TO USE THE "PIG-PEN" CODE. THE CODE THAT FOLLOWS IS ANOTHER AND MORE DIFFICULT VERSION OF THIS POPULAR CODE, FIRST USED IN THE UNITED STATES DURING THE CIVIL WAR.

HOW GOOD IS YOUR MEMORY?

After reading this issue, see if you can answer this quiz. Answers are on pages indicated. Each correct answer counts 5 points.

1. Who were the original Rangers? (page 3)
2. How did the Rangers train? (page 5)
3. What famous document was adopted in 1787? (page 11)
4. What great land purchase was made in 1803? (page 13)
5. How long did the War of 1812 last? (page 15)
6. On what bloody battleground of World War I were General McNaughton's theories of heavy artillery fire tested? (page 17)
7. After the war, McNaughton returned to Canada to do what job? (page 18)
8. Who was the greatest athlete of the Middle Ages? (page 21)
9. When is the "beam hum" heard the loudest? (page 24)
10. What time-saving improvement did Max Kholas develop? (page 32)
11. What is India's most famous monument, known throughout the world? (page 34)
12. What great Greek general attempted to conquer India? (page 36)
13. How did Bounce help save the life of Alexander Pope? (page 43)
14. What was "Skipper" Waldron's speedy cure for his boys when their spirits lagged? (page 47)
15. When did the pilots first hear of the attack on the Midway Island? (page 48)
16. Why was Ensign Gay's view of the Battle of Midway called a "fish eye" view? (page 53)
17. Who are the "fighting fools" of the desert? (page 54)
18. How did the British soldiers escape from the Nazi camp? (page 59)
19. What "honored American custom" did the Clipper girls revive? (page 60)
20. On what did General Lysander's friend write his secret messages? (page 64)

ANSWERS TO "IS IT TRUE?"

(Page 41)

1. Yes. It is a hood attached to a jacket.
2. Yes.
3. No. An owl sees best at night.
4. Yes.
5. No. It is called Delftware.
6. No. It was Alexander Hamilton.
7. No. It is a small insect.
8. No. A maggot is an insect.
9. No. A fiesta is a Mexican street festival.
10. No. It is a tall, one-handled drinking vessel.
11. Yes.
12. No. He was the sixth.
13. No. It is a small drum.
14. No. It is a scallion.
15. Yes.
16. Yes.
17. Yes.
18. No. While searching for the fountain of youth, he discovered Florida.
19. No. A canister is a box used to hold tea or coffee.
20. No. He plays the trumpet.

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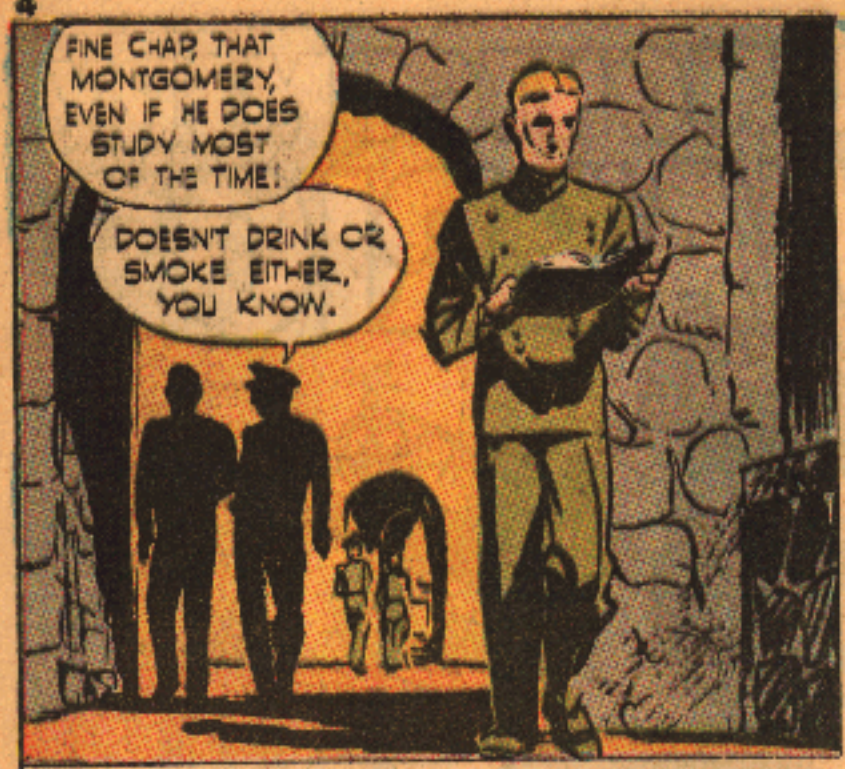
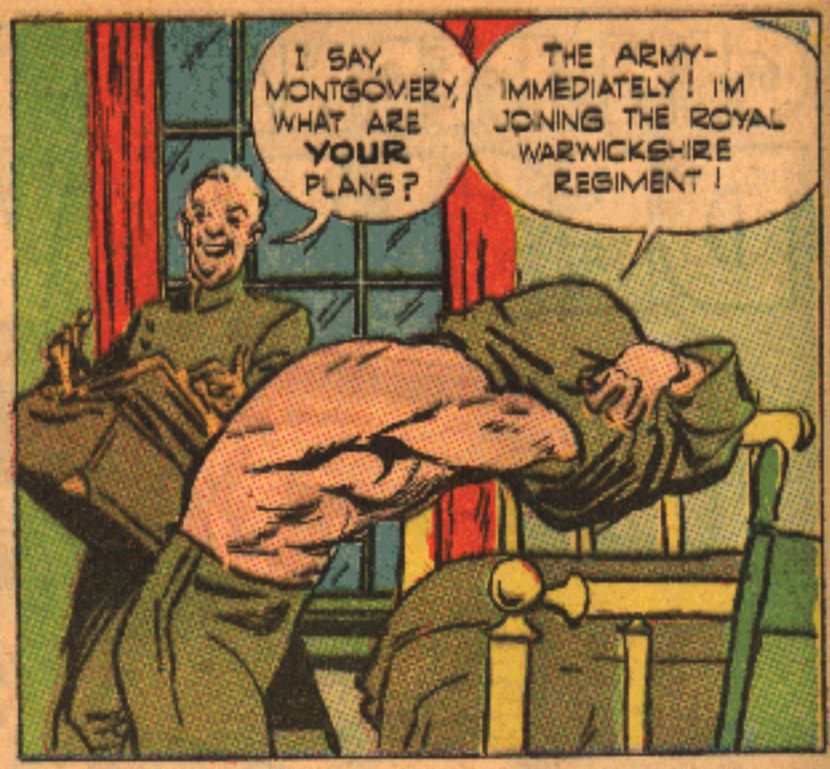
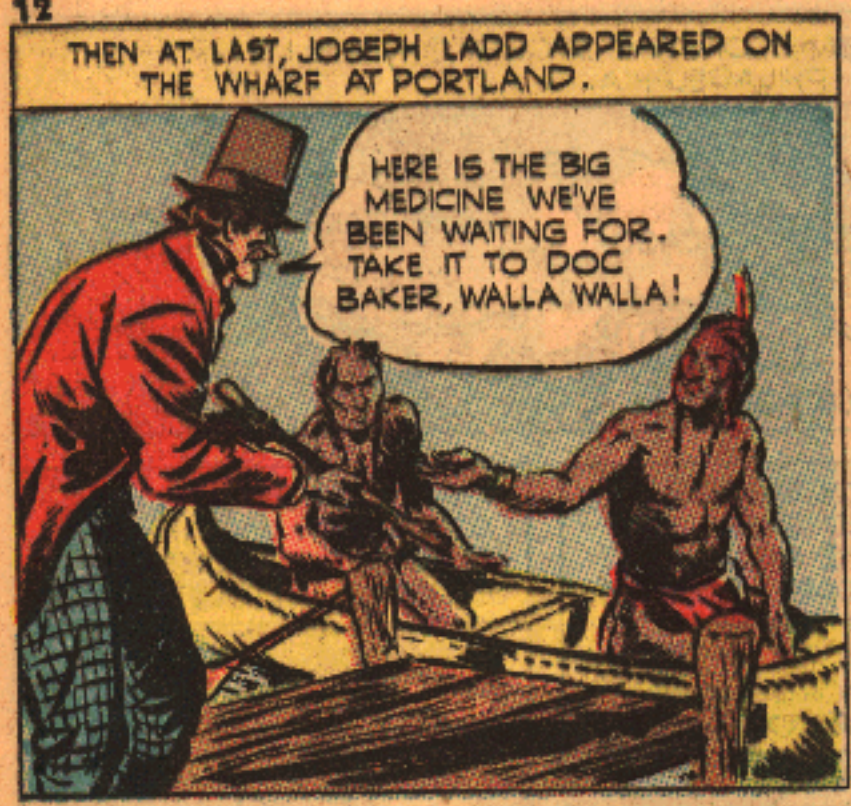

FINE CHAP, THAT MONTGOMERY, EVEN IF HE DOES STUDY MOST OF THE TIME!
DOESN'T DRINK OR SMOKE EITHER, YOU KNOW.


I SAY, MONTGOMERY, WHAT ARE YOUR PLANS?
THE ARMY- IMMEDIATELY! I'M JOINING THE ROYAL WARWICKSHIRE REGIMENT!

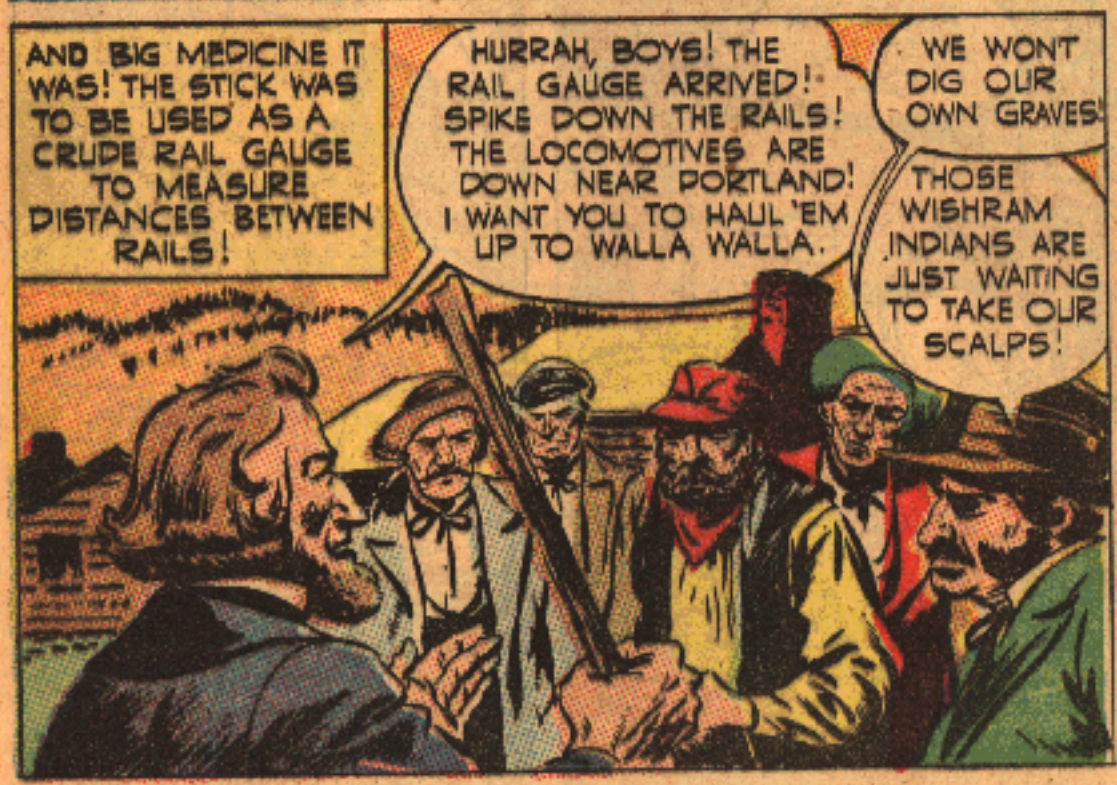
WORLD WAR I...
BACK IN ACTION SO SOON, SIR! I THOUGHT YOU HAD BEEN WOUNDED!
THERE'S NO TIME FOR REST NOW- WE HAVE THE HUNS ON THE RUN!

WHEN THE WAR ENDED, MONTGOMERY WAS A LIEUTENANT-COLONEL, WITH A D.S.O. AND CROIX DE GUERRE TO HIS CREDIT.
YOU WEREN'T THIS NERVOUS FACING THE BOCHE, MONTGOMERY!
IN BATTLE THERE'S NO TIME FOR NERVOUSNESS. RECEIVING THE D.S.O. IS A DIFFERENT MATTER!

HIS CONSTANT STUDY OF THE LATEST MILITARY TACTICS CAME IN HANDY FOR HIM WHEN WORLD WAR II BROKE OUT IN 1939.
GENERAL MONTGOMERY, YOU WILL TAKE THE THIRD DIVISION TO FRANCE.
YES, SIR.


THEN AT LAST, JOSEPH LADD APPEARED ON THE WHARF AT PORTLAND.
HERE IS THE BIG MEDICINE WE'VE BEEN WAITING FOR. TAKE IT TO DOC BAKER, WALLA WALLA!

HOW CAN STICK BE BIG MEDICINE? BURN IT UP!
NO! NO!, WE TAKE TO DOC BAKER!


AND BIG MEDICINE IT WAS! THE STICK WAS TO BE USED AS A CRUDE RAIL GAUGE TO MEASURE DISTANCES BETWEEN RAILS!
HURRAH, BOYS! THE RAIL GAUGE ARRIVED! SPIKE DOWN THE RAILS! THE LOCOMOTIVES ARE DOWN NEAR PORTLAND! I WANT YOU TO HAUL 'EM UP TO WALLA WALLA.
WE WON'T DIG OUR OWN GRAVES!
THOSE WISHRAM INDIANS ARE JUST WAITING TO TAKE OUR SCALPS!

BUT THAT NIGHT DOC BAKER WROTE A LETTER TO SAN FRANCISCO!

A FEW DAYS LATER, IN THE OFFICE OF STONE AND O'BRIEN, SAN FRANCISCO.
LOOK, BOSS! A LETTER FROM DOC BAKER! WANTS 500 PLUG HATS! IS THIS A JOKE?
DOC BAKER DOESN'T JOKE THAT WAY. PLUG HATS OR GLASS EYES - SEND 'EM ALONG!

DOC BAKER KNEW THE GREATEST GIFT A WHITE MAN COULD BESTOW UPON AN INDIAN WAS A PLUG HAT!
HE LOOKS LIKE A DUDE!
YOU SURE LOOK LIKE BIG WAMPUM, CHIEF!
NOW WE GLAD TO HELP WHITE MAN!